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PREFACE

THE present volume of the Catalogue of the Arabic and Persian Manuscripts in the Oriental Public Labrary, Bankipore, is the first of two volumes that are to be devoted to Arabic works relating to the Quranic Science, a branch of Arabic literature in which the Library is well represented.

The Library is especially rich in fine copies of the Qurân, some of them from the pens of famous calligraphers, as for instance, Yâqût al-Musta'simî, Mîr 'Alî al-Kâtib at-Tabrîzî, 'Abdalbâqî Haddâd, Qâdî 'Iṣmatallâh Khân, and 'Iṣmatallâh Yâqût Raqam. One copy of the Qurân (No. 1204), arranged according to the chronological order of revelation, and containing two additional Sûrahs, deserves special mention.

The present volume contains notices of 206 MSS., arranged under the following headings:—

The Qurân.

Various Readings of the Qurân.

Orthography of the Qurân.

Pronunciation of the Qurân.

This volume, like vols. xii and xv, is the work of Maulavi Muinuddin Nadwi, and it will be found that the high level of scholarship reached in those two volumes has been well maintained in this later one. Most encouraging to the Maulavi has been the praise extended to him by eminent scholars in India and abroad.

Of the MSS noticed in the present volume, the following may be mentioned as the most interesting and most worthy of attention:—

- No. 1118. A very fine and exceedingly valuable copy of the Qurân, from the pen of Yâqût al-Musta'simî, the celebrated calligrapher of Baġdâd.
- No. 1127. A roll of very thin and fine parchment, containing the whole Qurân.
- No. 1132. An extremely valuable and very splendid copy of the Qurân, which was once purchased by Mîr Mannû, the Governor of Lahore, for Rs. 3,070.

- No. 1171. A very fine and beautifully written copy of the Qurân in 30 foll., from the pen of 'Abdalbâqî Haddâd, the celebrated calligrapher of Harât.'
- No. 1172. A richly illuminated pocket-Qurân, from the pen of the same 'Abdalbâqî Haddâd.
- Nos. 1179-1181. An exceedingly valuable and very splendid copy of the Qurân, from the pen of Qâdî 'Ismatallâh Khân, a calligrapher of great reputation and skill; complete in three separate volumes.
- No. 1183. An elegant copy of the Qurân, from the pen of 'Ismatallâh, a calligrapher of considerable reputation, who flourished in the time of Nawwâb Shujâ'addawlah of Audh.
- No. 1184. A very fine copy of the Qurân, from the pen of Shaikh 'Abdalmajîd, the son of Mullâ Ahmad Jîwan, the tutor of the Emperor Aurangzîb.
- No. 1198. A very splendid and exceedingly valuable copy of the Qurân, prepared for Bâdshâh Begam, the mother of Âşafaddawlah of Audh.
- Nos. 1211-1212. A very rare and old copy of the first two parts of Abû 'Alî al-Fârisî's Kitâb al-Ḥujjah, bearing notes by several eminent scholars, including Tâjaddîn al-Kindî.
- No. 1213. A rare copy of Ibn Jinnî's Al-Muḥtasib, dated A.H. 1068=A.D. 1657.
- No. 1235. A very old and remarkable copy of Abu't-Ţâhir Ismâ'îl as-Saraqustî's Kitâb al-'Unwân, transcribed by 'Abdalqawî al-Anmâtî, a great Qurân-Reader of Egypt, in A.H. 632=A.D. 1234.
- No. 1236. A very rare and fairly old copy of Ibn Siwâr al-Baġdâdî's Al-Mustanîr.
- No. 1239. A very old copy of 'Iqd al-La'âlî, transcribed from the author's original draft by his pupil, <u>Sh</u>ihâbaddîn Ahmad al-Abyârî, in A.H. 716=A.D. 1316.
- No. 1240. A very old and remarkable copy of Nukat al-Amâlî, dated A.H. 716=A.D. 1316, bearing a note by the celebrated traditionist Ibrâhîm al-Qalqashandî.
- No. 1242. A rare and old copy of Mustalih al-Ishârât, dated A.H. 787 = A.D. 1385, and collated with the author's original draft.
- No. 1281. A very old and remarkable copy of As-Sakhâwî's Al-Wasîlah Ilâ Kashf al-'Aqîlah, dated A.H. 807=A.D. 1405, which once belonged to Mulla Ala al-Qârî, a distinguished scholar of Harât, and then to the library of 'Abdarraḥîm Khân Khân Khânân, the first prime minister of the Emperor Akbar.

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No. 1283. The unique copy of Rawdat at-Tarâ'if, dated A.H. 726 = A.D. 1325, bearing the author's autograph note to the effect that the MS. was read in his presence.

I would take this opportunity of recording our gratitude for the valuable help rendered in the work of compiling the Bankipore Catalogue by the late Mr. E. A. Horne, who kept up his old association with the Library, and especially with the Cataloguing work, even after leaving Patna for Aligarh. Under his supervision the preparation of the Catalogue of the Arabic MSS, progressed so rapidly, that the whole Catalogue is now nearing completion. The present volume was revised by him in manuscript; while Dr. Azimuddin Ahmad very kindly read it in proof.

J. A. CHAPMAN

Butler Palace, Lucknow. June 28, 1930.

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ARABIC MANUSCRIPTS.

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QURANIC SCIENCE. THE QURÂN.

No. 1116.

foll. 256; lines 20; size $3\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{3}{4}$; $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$.

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AL-QURÂN.

A very old pocket-Qurân.

Written in small and close Kûfî, with vowels marked by red dots. The titles of the Sûrahs are in thick Kûfî, sketched in black and filled with gold. The $Ruk\hat{u}$ (section) is marked by a marginal ornament. Slightly worm-eaten and water-stained. Fol. 256 has been rendered quite illegible. The first three folios are supplied by a later hand.

Not dated; probably 9th century.

No. 1117.

fol. 1; lines 8; size $6\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$; $4 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A leaf of the Qurân pasted on a rectangular piece of glass. It contains verses 35-38 of Sûratu Ibrâhîm (chapter xiv).

Written in thick Kûfî, with vowels marked by red dots.

Not dated; probably 9th century.

VOL. XVIII.

No. 1118.

foll. 499; lines 9; size $10\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{3}{4}$; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

An extremely valuable and very fine copy of the Qurân, from the pen of Jamâladdîn Abu'd-Durr Yâqût bin 'Abdallâh, surnamed Al-Musta'simî, a calligrapher of the highest repute and skill. It was he who improved the form of the Arabic character after Ibn Bawwâb (d. A.H. 423=A.D. 1032), and rendered it more regular and simple. According to the author of Tadkirah-i-Khushnawîsân, it is his system (of written characters) which is yet followed; but none has ever reached or pretended to reach his pitch of excellence. Amîn Ahmad Râzî (d. A.H. 1002=A.D. 1593), in the Haft Iqlîm, p. 117, tells us that, in his time, a specimen of Al-Musta'simî's writing was as rare and precious as a gem. He lived in Baģdâd, where he died in A.H. 698=A.D. 1298. See Al-Khamîs, vol. ii, fol. 222b; Dustûr al-I'lâm, fol. 155a; Tadkirah-i-Khushnawîsân, p. 24; and Brock., vol. i, p. 353. See also Mujmal Fasîhî, fol. 199b, where it is stated that he died in Rabî' I, A.H. 697=A.D. 1297.

Written in a very fine, small, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and blue ruled borders; the first, the middle and the last lines of every page being in a very beautiful large Şulş character, enclosed by illuminated borders of floral design. The titles of the Sûrahs, including the number of verses contained in each Sûrah, are written in elegant Raihân, in gold. The verses are divided by gold roses. The first two pages are richly illuminated.

Nine folios, after fol. 313, containing the last 19 verses of the Sûrat an-Naml (chapter xxvii) and the first 75 verses of the Sûrat al-Qisas (chapter xxviii) are wanting.

The colophon, written within illuminated borders, runs thus:—

كتبه العبد الفقير الى الله الغذى ياقوت المستعصمي فى اواخر شُهر رمضان المبارك من سنة ثمان و ستين و ستمائة حامدا على نعمه و مصليا على نبيه محمد و آله و مسلما كثيرا *

Dated A.H. 668 = A.D. 1269.

The title-page contains a seal, bearing the name of Zîbaddawlah Murîd Khân, dated A.H. 1170=A.D. 1757.

No. 1119.

foll. 12; lines 11; size $10\frac{3}{4} \times 7$; $7\frac{1}{2} \times 5$.

The Same.

The fifth Juz (part) of the Qurân.

Written in a very excellent, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders; the first, the middle and the last lines of every page being in a large and very beautiful Suls character. The first page is richly and tastefully illuminated. The verses are separated by gilt circles, while marginal ornaments are employed to mark the end of every five and ten verses.

Not dated; probably 14th century.

No. 1120.

foll. 464; lines 15; size $14\frac{1}{2} \times 10$; $11\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{3}{4}$.

The Same.

A copy of the Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version.

The text is written in a distinct and bold character, intermediate between Kûfî and Naskh, within black and double red ruled borders. The vowel-markings are somewhat peculiar. A small circle is used for Jazm. The signs of Waqf, Wasl, Imâlah, etc., are supplied in red. The beginning of each Juz is written in gold, and marked in the margin by a conical ornament. The titles of the Sûrahs, indicating in each case whether it was revealed at Mecca or Medina, and the number of verses contained in each Sûrah, are in gold, within illuminated borders. Marginal ornaments are employed to mark the end of the first quarter, half and third quarter of each Juz. The verses are separated by yellow roses. The word all is always in gold.

The interlinear Persian version is written in fair Naskh, in red.

Foll. 1-52 are supplied in a later hand.

Not dated; probably 14th century.

An 'Arddîdah, dated A.H. 989=A.D. 1581, is found at the end.

Fol. 382° contains a seal bearing the inscription...... بندهٔ درگاه., dated A.H. 993=A.D. 1585.

No. 1121.

foll. 33; lines 7; size 15×10 ; $9\frac{1}{2} \times 6$.

The Same.

A very short fragment of the Qurân, containing verses 25-143 of Sûrat an-Nisâ' (chapter iv).

Written in elegant, large and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders. The verses are divided by beautifully illuminated circles, while conical and oblong marginal ornaments, enclosing the words مشر, respectively, are employed to mark the end of every five and ten verses.

Not dated; probably 15th century.

No. 1122.

foll. 57; lines 5; size $10\frac{1}{6} \times 6\frac{3}{4}$; $7 \times 4\frac{3}{4}$.

The Same.

A fragment of the Qurân, extending from the 32nd verse of Sûrat az-Zumar (chapter xxxix) to the 46th verse of Sûratu Hâ Mîm (chapter xli).

Written in a very elegant, large and fully vocalised Şulş, within gold and black ruled borders; with a double-page 'Unwân. The titles of the Sûrahs are in gold. The verses are separated by gilt roses, while marginal ornaments are employed to mark the end of every five and ten verses.

Not dated; probably 15th century.

No. 1123.

foll. 206; lines 13; size $14\frac{3}{2} \times 11$; $13\frac{1}{2} \times 9\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A copy of the Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version; complete in two separate volumes.

Vol. I.

Beginning with Sûrat al-Fâtiḥah (chapter i), and breaking off abruptly with the following words of the 4th verse of Sûratu Maryam (chapter xix):—

قَالَ رَبِّ اِنِّيْ وَ هَنَ الْعَظَّمُ مِنْفِى وَ اشْتَعَلَ النَّرَاسُ شَيْباً وَ لَمْ اَكُنْ بِدُعَائِكَ

No. 1124.

foll. 210; lines and size same as above.

The Same.

Vol. II.

Beginning at the point where the first volume ends in the 4th verse of Sûratu Maryam (chapter xix), and extending to the end of the Qurân.

Both volumes are written in fair, large and fully vocalised Naskh, within double red ruled borders.

The interlinear Persian version is written in small and cursive Naskh.

Dated Friday, the 18th Du'l-Qa'dah, A.H. 872=A.D. 1467.

احمد بن محمود بن فضل الله بن شمس الدين بن احمد ساماني : Scribe

At the end is a note, dealing with the method of consulting the Qurân for omens.

The MS. was presented by Shah Muhammad Kamâl of Patna on the 8th June, 1916.

No. 1125.

foll. 403; lines 15; size $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$; $2\frac{1}{4} \times 1\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

A very small pocket-Qurân.

Written in elegant, small, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders. The beginning of each Juz is written in gold, and marked by marginal ornaments. The

titles of the Sûrahs are in gold on a blue ground. The verses are separated by gilt circles. Water-stained and slightly worm-eaten.

Foll. 1-2, 10, 50-51, 119, 244-245 and 339 are supplied by a later hand.

Not dated; probably 15th century.

No. 1126.

foll. 439; lines 17; size $2\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$; $1\frac{1}{2} \times 1$.

The Same.

A very valuable and fine pocket-Qurân.

Written on gold-sprinkled parchment, in a very minute but fully vocalised and elegant Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders; with a double-page 'Unwân. The titles of the Sûrahs are in Şulş, being in white on a gold ground. The verses are separated by gilt circles.

Not dated; probably 15th century.

No. 1127.

A roll of very thin and fine parchment 52 feet long and 31 in. wide.

The Same.

An exceedingly valuable copy of the Qurân.

Written in a very minute Naskh, within gold-ruled borders; with an illuminated frontispiece.

Not dated; probably 15th century.

No. 1128.

foll. 381; lines 11; size $12\frac{3}{4} \times 9$; $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

A very elegant copy of the Qurân.

Written in excellent, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh within gold and blue ruled borders; with a double-page 'Unwân.,

The first, middle and last lines of every page are in large Suls. The titles of the Sûrahs are in gold within illuminated borders. The verses are separated by gilt circles; while marginal ornaments, circular and conical, respectively, are employed to mark the end of every five and ten verses. The beginning of each Juz, in some cases written in gold, is marked in the margin by an oblong ornament.

Dated Saturday, the 30th Rajab, A.H. 901=A.D. 1496.

.احمد بن معمود العلاق: Scribe

No. 1129.

foll. 445; lines 17; size $5\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$; $3\frac{1}{4} \times 2\frac{3}{4}$.

The Same.

Written in a character intermediate between Kûfî and Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders. The word AUI is always in red. The beginning of each Juz is written in light blue, and marked in the margin by a conical ornament. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red on a gold ground; but in some cases the spaces have been left blank. The verses are divided by gilt circles, while the $Ruk\hat{u}^i$ (section) is marked in the margin by a larger illuminated circle. Foll. 1^b, 2^a, 219^b, 220^a, 444^b, and 445^a are richly illuminated.

Not dated; probably 16th century.

The MS, was presented to the library by Sayyed Safdar Nawwâb of Patna.

No. 1130.

foll. 107; size $1\frac{3}{4} \times 1\frac{3}{4}$; $1\frac{1}{4} \times 1\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

A very small pocket-Qurân.

Written on hexagonally cut pages, in a very minute and rather cursive Naskh. Every page is divided into eleven compartments, each containing a verse of the Qurân; written alternately in red and black. Numerous folios seem to be wanting, passim.

· Not dated; probably 16th century.

No. 1131.

foll. 200; lines 15; size $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{3}{4}$; $2\frac{3}{4} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A pocket-Qurân.

Written in elegant, small, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold-ruled borders; with an illuminated frontispiece. The titles of the Sûrahs are in gold. The verses are separated by red dots. A seriously damaged and dilapidated copy.

Not dated; probably 16th century.

No. 1132.

foll. 232; lines 15; size $13\frac{1}{4} \times 8\frac{1}{2}$; $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A valuable and splendid copy of the Qurân.

Written in elegant, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh on thick paper, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The MS, opens with a double page, containing Sûrat al-Fâtihah (chapter i) written in Şulş, white on a gold ground, and enclosed within richly illuminated borders. The margins of the next two pages are covered by elaborate and rich ornament, while the interlinear spaces are filled with a floral design in colours, and underneath it a gold line. The titles of the Sûrahs are in beautiful Şulş, white on a gold ground, but in some cases black on a blue ground. The verses are separated by gilt roses. Marginal ornaments, oblong and octangular, respectively, are employed to mark the end of every five and ten verses.

The last four pages contain a Persian poem, entitled فالنامة dealing with the method of consulting the Qurân for omens, beginning as follows:—

The poem is written in a very elegant Nasta'liq, one line in gold on a blue ground and the next in white on a gold ground, the whole enclosed within richly illuminated borders.

In the colophon, dated A.H. 982=A.D. 1575, the scribe gives his name as Mîr 'Alî al-Kâtib at-Tabrîzî. He must not be confounded

with his namesake, the celebrated inventor of the Nasta'liq character, who was a contemporary of Kamal Khujandi (d. A.H. 803=A.D. 1401).

A fly-leaf at the beginning contains a Maşnawî comprising the titles of 114 Sûrahs of the Qurân.

Beginning:-

According to a note on the same fly-leaf, the present copy was once purchased by Mîr Mannû for Rs. 3,070. This Mîr Mannû, surnamed Mu'în al-Mulk Rustam Hind, was the son of I'timâddawlah Qamaraddîn Khân. He was appointed Governor of Lahore by Ahmad Shâh, the Emperor of Delhi, after the battle of Sarhind against Ahmad Shâh Abdâlî, in which battle Mîr Mannû's father was killed, A.H. 1161=A.D. 1748. He died suddenly in A.H. 1167=A.D. 1754. See Beale's Oriental Biographical Dictionary, p. 277.

No. 1133.

foll. 8; lines 12; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4$.

The Same.

A MS. containing the following five Sûrahs of the Qurân:—

- 1. Sûrat al-Fath (chapter xlviii).
- 2. Sûrat al-Wâqi'ah (chapter lvi).
- 3. Sûrat al-Jumu'ah (chapter lxii).
- 4. Sürat al-Muzzammil (chapter lxxiii).
- 5. Sûrat an-Naba' (chapter lxxviii).

The scribe has confounded the titles of the last two Sûrahs mentioned above; the correct title of Sûrah lxxviii has been given to Sûrah lxxiii, and vice versâ.

Written in large, elegant and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders; with an illuminated frontispiece. The titles of the Sûrahs are in Suls, white on a gold ground. The verses are divided by gold roses. The margins are covered with a floral design in gold. The interlinear spaces of the first two pages are richly illuminated.

Not dated; probably 16th century.

No. 1134.

foll. 29; lines 8; size $7\frac{1}{5} \times 5$; $4\frac{1}{4} \times 3$.

The Same.

The Sûrat al-An'âm (chapter vi), complete.

Written in fair vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders; with an illuminated frontispiece. The verses are separated by gold roses.

Not dated; probably 16th century.

The title-page contains a seal of the library attached to the tomb of Khwâjah Mu'înaddîn Chishtî (d. A.H. 633=A.D. 1236), the celebrated saint of Ajmer.

No. 1135.

A roll of thin paper 31 feet long and $4\frac{1}{4}$ in. wide.

The Same.

The formula بسم الله الرحيم و به نستمين is followed by the ninety-nine names of God and the names of the twelve Imâms, all written in large letters outlined in gold. Within these letters is contained, in minute writing, the text of the Qurân. Portions of the text are also contained within the floral designs, which separate the different names of God and of the Imâms, and in the borders surrounding those names. The names of God are written across the page in Nasta'lîq, while those of the Imâms are written up and down the page in Naskh. The text of the Qurân is written in a very minute and closely written Naskh.

Not dated; probably 16th century.

The MS. was presented to the library by. Nawwâb Sayyid Mustafâ 'Alî Khân of Patna.

No. 1136.

foll. 659; lines 8; size 19×13 ; 13×7 .

The Same.

A valuable large-size Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version and marginal notes, also in Persian.

The text is written in large and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The first two pages are richly illuminated. The four main divisions of each Juz are marked by elaborate and beautiful marginal ornaments. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red, enclosed within ornamental borders. The verses are separated by circles filled with gold. The end of the first half of the Qurân is marked by a beautiful ornament in the margin of fol. 313°.

The interlinear Persian version is written in elegant Nasta'lîq, in red, within gold and coloured ruled borders.

At the end is a prayer, to be recited after completing the reading of the Qurân.

Not dated; probably 16th century.

The MS. is bound in painted and glazed covers of Kashmîr workmanship.

No. 1137.

foll. 686; lines 11; size $17\frac{1}{4} \times 11\frac{1}{2}$; $9\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

An exceedingly valuable and very splendid copy of the Qurân, with a Persian version in the margins.

The text is written in elegant and fully vocalised Naskh. The first, the middle and the last lines of every page are in beautiful Şulş on a gold ground, enclosed within rich borders containing elaborate designs in gold and colours. The interlinear spaces are filled with gold. The first double page at the beginning of each Juz is very richly and tastefully illuminated. The first line of the second, third and fourth quarters of every Juz is written in red ink; and these divisions are marked in the margin by special ornaments.

The titles of the Sûrahs are in white on a black ground. The verses are separated by illuminated circles.

The Persian version is written in the margins in good Nasta'liq in blue, within richly illuminated borders.

Not dated; probably 16th century.

No. 1138.

foll. 315; lines 11; size $15\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{2}$; $9 \times 6\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A copy of the Qurân, with a Persian commentary in the margins, by Kamâladdîn Husain bin 'Alî al-Wâ'iz al-Kâshifî (d. A.H. 910=A.D. 1504), entitled Al-Mawâhib al-'Alîyah.

Complete in two separate volumes.

Vol. I.

Beginning with Sûrat al-Fâtihah (chapter i) and ending with the 68th verse of Sûrat al-Kahf (chapter xviii).

The Persian commentary, which has been repeatedly printed in India, begins thus:—

No. 1139.

foll. 324; lines and size same as above.

The Same.

Vol. II.

Beginning with the 84th verse of Sûrat al-Kahf (chapter xviii), and extending to the end of the Qurân.

The 69th to 83rd verses of Sûrat al-Kahf are wanting.

Both volumes are written in a distinct and bold character, intermediate between Kûfî and Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The vowel-markings are somewhat peculiar; and a small circle is used for Jazm. The signs of Waqf, Wasl, Imâlah, etc., are supplied by a later hand in red. The letters >, >, >, > and > are considerably drawn out. The verses are separated by gilt roses. The $Ruk\hat{u}$ (section) is marked by an illuminated circle, which contains the letter > in gold. The end of the first and the third quarters of each Juz is distinguished by larger illuminated circles; while the end of the first half of each Juz is marked by, a beautiful conical ornament. The titles of the Sûrahs are in gold, within illuminated borders. The middle and the last lines of every page are written in red. The

beginning of each Juz is in gold. The word all and some other words and phrases in the text are also in gold. The margins of the first double page of each Juz are tastefully illuminated.

The Persian commentary is written in fair Naskh, with quotations from the text in red.

Not dated; probably 16th century.

The MS. was presented to the library by Muḥammad Riḍâ of Patna.

No. 1140.

foll. 121; lines 25; size $7\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

Written in fair and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders; with a double-page 'Unwân. The beginning of every Juz (part), $S\hat{u}rah$ (chapter) and $Ruk\hat{u}'$ (section) is written in red ink, and is marked in the margins by ornaments of various designs. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red on a gold ground. The verses are divided by circles filled with gold. Water-stained.

At the end is a prayer, to be recited after finishing the reading of the Qurân.

Not dated; probably 16th century.

No. 1141.

foll. 15; lines 7; size $6\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$; $4 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

Sûratu Yâsîn (chapter xxxvi), complete.

Written in elegant Naskh, fully vocalised, within gold and blue ruled borders.

On foll. 13b-14a, Sûrat al-Ikhlûş (chapter exii) is written in five characters, viz., (i) Ṭugrâ; (ii) Ṣulṣ; (iii) Raiḥân; (iv) Kûfî; and (v) Nasta'lîq. Fol. 14b contains آية الكرسي. On fol. 15a the scribe has written the words تبت تبام شد in Nasta'lîq with his finger-nail.

Not dated; probably 16th century.

No. 1142.

foll. 447; lines 11; size $12 \times 7\frac{1}{2}$; $7\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

Written in fair and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The first four pages are richly illuminated. The titles of the Sûrahs are in white on a gold ground. The verses are separated by gilt circles. The $Ruk\hat{u}$ (section) is marked in the margin by a larger illuminated circle. The four main divisions of each Juz are marked in the margins by ornaments of various designs.

Dated A.H. 1014=A.D. 1605.

A double page, consisting of two fly-leaves at the beginning, is very richly and fancifully illuminated. This has evidently been supplied by a later hand, and contains a genealogical table of Abu'l-Muzaffar Jalâladdîn Muḥammad Shâh 'Âlam Bâdshâh Ġâzî (A.H. 1173—1221—A.D. 1759—1806).

Three fly-leaves at the end contain a table of the Sûrahs of the Qurân and the ninety-nine names of God.

No. 1143.

foll. 525; lines 9; size $11 \times 7\frac{1}{2}$; $6 \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

The Same.

A very splendid copy of the Qurân, with some Persian notes in the margins.

Written in fine and fully vocalised \Sul_\S , within gold and coloured ruled borders, with gold-sprinkled margins. The text is amply provided with vowel points and discritical marks. The first double page, which contains $S\hat{u}rat$ al- $F\hat{a}tihah$ (chapter i), is written in white on a gold ground. The two double pages, which follow, are richly illuminated. The verses are divided by gold roses. The end of every five verses is marked in the margin by illuminated circles, and the end of every ten verses by floral ornaments. The beginning of each Juz is in red. The titles of the Sûrahs are in white on a gold ground, within ornamental borders. The numbers of words and letters, contained in each Sûrah, are noted in red ink in the margin.

Foll. 166a-186b, which were wanting in the original MS., have

been supplied by a later hand; in good imitation of the older writing, but without any ornaments.

The last two folios contain a note, dealing with the orthographical signs generally used in the Qurân for indicating the correct pronunciation.

In the margin of fol. 522b is a prayer to be recited after completing the reading of the Qurân.

Dated the 23rd Safar, A.H. 1016=A.D. 1607.

شمس الدين على الكاتب الشيرازي : Scribe

No. 1144.

foll. 416; lines 11; size $14\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$; $5 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A copy of the Qurân, with the $Tafsir\ Husaini$ of Al-Kâshifi (d. A.H. $910=A.D.\ 1504$) in the margins.

The text is written in elegant, large and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The verses are divided by gilt circles. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red. The margins of the first double page are covered with floral ornaments in gold. The second double page is tastefully illuminated.

The Taisir Ḥusainî, contained in the margins, is written in fair small Naskh, in three slanting columns.

The MS., which is dated A.H. 1064=A.D. 1653, was transcribed by Sharafaddîn bin Yâsîn al-Ḥaddâd, as appears from the following colophon:—

وقت اتمام كتابة التفسير بعون الملك الخبير على يد العبد الضعيف الراجي بعناية رحمة الله الملك المبين شرف الدين ابن مخدوم المرحوم المبرور شيخ يسين المعروف الحداد يوم الاربعا سلخ من شهر شعبان المعظم سنة اربع و ستين و الف من الهجرة النبوية *

Foll. 412^b-416^b contain an extract from the *Rawdat al-Ahbâb* of 'Atâ'allâh bin Fadlallâh al-Husainî (d. A.H. 926=A.D. 1520), treating of the Prophet's last illness and of his death.

No. 1145.

foll. 212; lines 17; size $7 \times 4\frac{3}{4}$; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

Written in good, close and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders; with a double-page 'Unwân. The titles of the Sûrahs are in gold. The verses are divided by gilt roses; and the end of every ten verses is marked in the margin by the word عشر. The signs of Madd, Wasl, Wasl, wasl, etc., are in red.

Dated Sunday, the 1st Du'l-Qa'dah, A.H. 1086=A.D. 1675.

.عبد العظيم بن على رضا الرضوي القمى : Scribe

The seals of Nawwâb Sayyid Wilâyat 'Alî Khân of Patna City are found on the title-page as well as at the end.

No. 1146.

foll. 474; lines 12; size $6 \times 4\frac{1}{4}$; $3\frac{1}{4} \times 1\frac{3}{4}$.

The Same.

Written on gold-sprinkled paper in elegant and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold, black and blue ruled borders. The first double page is tastefully illuminated; and this is followed by an illuminated frontispiece. The titles of the Sûrahs are in white on a gold ground. The verses are divided by gilt roses. The four main divisions of each Juz are marked by appropriate ornaments in the margins.

At the end is a prayer, to be recited after completing the reading of the Qurân.

Dated A.H. 1101 = A.D. 1689.

No. 1147.

foll. 46; lines 11; size $11 \times 7\frac{1}{2}$; $8 \times 4\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

A fragment of the Qurān, containing Sûrah ii, 123-189 (foll. 21^a-30^b); ii, 245-iii, 86 (foll. 1^a-20^b); vii, 131-201 (foll. 31^a-40^b); and \times , 24-77 (foll. 41^a-46^b).

Written in fair and vocalised Naskh, one line on a gold and the next on a silver ground. The verses are separated by red dots.

Foll. 1-20 have been wrongly placed after fol. 30.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

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No. 1148.

foll. 24; lines 9; size $7\frac{1}{4} \times 5$; 5×3 .

The Same.

A collection of five Sûrahs of the Qurân, viz., xxxvi; xlviii; lvi; lxvii; and lxxviii.

Written on thick eard-board in elegant and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders and illuminated margins; with an illuminated frontispiece. The titles of the Sûrahs are in white on a gold ground. The $Ruk\hat{u}^i$ (section) is marked by an octangular ornament in the margin. The verses are separated by gold roses. The interlinear spaces are filled with gold.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

The MS. was presented to the library by Sayyid Ṣafdar Nawwâb of Patna.

No. 1149.

foll. 13; lines 11; size $9 \times 5\frac{3}{4}$; $6 \times 3\frac{1}{3}$.

The Same.

A collection of four Sûrahs of the Qurân, viz., xxxvi; lvi; lxvii; and lxxviii.

Written in elegant and fully vocalised Naskh, within beautifully illuminated borders; the first, the middle and the last lines in every page being in large Şulş. The titles of the Sûrahs are in white on a gold ground. The verses are divided by circles filled with gold. The interlinear spaces are filled with gold.

An illuminated fly-leaf at the end contains several prayers to be recited on various occasions.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

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No. 1150.

foll. 77; lines 9; size $6 \times 3\frac{1}{4}$; $3\frac{3}{4} \times 2$.

The Same.

A defective copy of the Qurân. Sûrahs i-xvii, xix-xxxv, xxxvii-xlvii, xlix-liv, lxviii-lxx, lxxii and lxxiv-lxxvii are wanting.

Written in fair vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders; with an illuminated frontispiece. The titles of the Sûrahs are in gold. The verses are separated by gilt circles. Slightly wormeaten.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

No. 1151.

foll. 26; lines 7; size 9×5 ; $6\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

A collection of five Sûrahs of the Qurân, viz., xxxvi; xlviii; lvi; lxvii; and lxxviii.

Written in fair vocalised Nasta'lîq, within gold and coloured ruled borders; with an illuminated frontispiece. The interlinear spaces in the first two pages are filled with gold. The verses are divided by gold roses.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

No. 1152.

foll. 20; lines 9; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

The same five Sûrahs of the Qurân as in the preceding MS.

Written in elegant vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders; with an illuminated frontispiece. The interlinear spaces are filled with gold. The titles of the Sûrahs are in white on a gold ground. The $Ruk\hat{u}^i$ (section) is marked by an illuminated circle in the margin. The verses are separated by gold roses.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

No. 1153.

foll. 45; lines 6; size $5 \times 3\frac{1}{4}$; $3\frac{3}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

The same five Sûrahs of the Qurân.

Written in Naskh on paper of various colours.

Foll. 19-24 are seriously worm-eaten.

· According to a note on the title-page, the first half of the MS. was written by Mîr Mahdî, and the rest by Mîr Ja'far.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

The seals of Nawwâb Wilâyat 'Alî Khân of Patna City and of his grandson, Sayyid Khurshîd Nawwâb, are found on the titlepage.

* The MS. was presented to the library by Khân Bahâdur Muhammad Ismâ'îl.

No. 1154.

foll. 10; lines 18; size $4 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$; $2\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

The same five Sûrahs of the Qurân.

Written in small, elegant and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders; with a double-page 'Unwân. The margins are filled with a floral design in gold. The verses are separated by circles filled with gold.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

The title-page contains the seals of Nawwâb Wilâyat 'Alî Khân of Patna City and of his grandson, Sayyid Khurshîd Nawwâb.

No. 1155.

foll. 311; lines 12; size $13\frac{1}{2} \times 9$; $9\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A very splendid and exceedingly valuable copy of the Qurân, with some Persian notes in the margins.

Written in good Naskh, with all the vowel points and discritical marks, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The interlinear

spaces are beautifully filled with gold. The first two pages are profusely illuminated. The titles of the Sûrahs are in elaborate Suls character, within ornamental borders. The verses are divided by gold roses. The end of every five and ten verses is marked in the margin by conical ornaments and illuminated circles, respectively.

At the end is a prayer, to be recited after finishing the reading of the Qurân.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

No. 1156.

foll. 660; lines 8; size $14\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$; $11 \times 6\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A valuable and splendid copy of the Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version and marginal notes, also in Persian.

The text is written in large, thick and fully vocalised Şulş, within gold and coloured ruled borders; with a double-page 'Unwân. The titles of the Sûrahs, indicating in each case whether it was revealed at Mecca or Medina, and giving the number of verses contained in each Sûrah, are in gold. The verses are separated by circles filled with gold. The margins of the double page at the beginning of the 15th Juz are covered with elaborate ornaments in gold.

The interlinear Persian version is written in elegant Nasta'lîq, in red ink, within ornamental borders. The interlinear spaces of the marginal notes are beautifully filled with gold.

Foll. 146-153 are badly water-stained.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

A fly-leaf at the beginning contains a note dealing with the method of consulting the Qurân for omens. It also contains a prayer to be recited prior to the reading of the Qurân.

A fly-leaf at the end, the margin of which is covered with floral ornaments in gold, contains a prayer to be recited after finishing the reading of the Qurân.

No. 1157.

foll. 408; lines 14; size $4 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$; $2\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A fine pocket-Qurân.

Written on a gold ground in elegant, small and closely written Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders; with a double-page 'Unwân. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

No. 1158.

foll. 223; lines 19; size $2\frac{3}{4} \times 1\frac{3}{4}$; $2 \times 1\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

A very small pocket-Qurân.

Written on gold-sprinkled paper in small, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders; with a double-page 'Unwân. The titles of the Sûrahs are in gold. The verses are divided by gold roses. Slightly worm-eaten.

Three fly-leaves at the beginning contain a prayer to be recited prior to the reading of the Qurân, while three at the end contain a Persian poem on the method of consulting the Qurân for omens. The poem begins thus:—

Not dated; probably 17th century.

No. 1159.

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foll. 220; lines 19; size $3\frac{3}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$; $3 \times 1\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

An exceedingly valuable and very fine pocket-Qurân.

Written on gold-sprinkled paper in elegant, small, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders;

with a double-page 'Unwan. The titles of the Sûrahs are in gold. The verses are divided by gold roses.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

The MS. was presented to the library by Sayyid Safdar Nawwâb of Patna City.

No. 1160.

foll. 60; lines 29; size $10\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $9 \times 5\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A valuable copy of the Qurân in 60 foll.

Written in small, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders. Each of the thirty Juz of the Qurân, although they vary in length, has been skilfully accommodated within four pages. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red. The verses are divided by gilt circles.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

No. 1161.

foll. 342; lines 12; size $10 \times 6\frac{3}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4$.

The Same.

A valuable copy of the Qurân.

Written in elegant Naskh, with all the vowel points and diacritical marks, within illuminated borders. The first two pages, as well as the last two, are profusely illuminated. The title-page and a fly-leaf opposite it are covered with elaborate ornaments in gold and colours. The interlinear spaces are filled with gold. The verses are divided by gilt circles. The $Ruk\hat{u}$ (section) is marked in the margin by a larger illuminated circle, enclosing the letter ξ in red. The titles of the Sûrahs are in white on a gold ground.

Three fly-leaves at the beginning contain a table of the Sûrahs and 114 names of God.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

Scribe: عبد الله.

A seal bearing the inscription سلطان محمد سليمان مرزاي صفوي dated A.H. 1130=A.D. 1718, is found at the end.

No. 1162.

foll 30; lines 49; size $12\frac{1}{2} \times 7\frac{1}{2}$; $9\frac{1}{2} \times 5$.

The Same.

An exceedingly valuable copy of the Qurân in 30 foll.

Written in elegant, small and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders; with a double-page 'Unwân. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red. The first, the middle and the last lines of every page are in bold Naskh on a gold ground, within black and blue ruled borders. The interlinear spaces are filled with gold, while the margins are covered with ornaments in gold and colours.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

The seals of Nawwâb Sayyid Wilâyat 'Alî Khân of Patna City and of his grandson, Sayyid Khurshîd Nawwâb, are found on the title-page as well as at the end.

No. 1163.

foll. 32; lines 41; size $10\frac{1}{4} \times 7$; $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

A very fine and exceedingly valuable copy of the Qurân in 32 foll.

Written in minute, but fully vocalised and legible Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The beginning of each Juz and the titles of the Sûrahs are in red. Foll. 1^b, 2^a, 16^b, 17^a, 31^b, and 32^a are tastefully illuminated. The margins are covered with floral designs in gold. The first two pages as well as the last two are filled with elaborate floral ornaments in gold and colours.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

No. 1164.

foll. 30; lines 41; size $10 \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $8\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{3}{4}$.

The Same.

A fairly old and valuable copy of the Qurân in 30 foll., with some marginal notes.

Written' in minute, but fully vocalised and elegant Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders; with an illuminated frontispiece. The beginning of each Juz and the titles of the Sûrahs are in red. The margins are covered with floral designs in gold. Slightly worm-eaten and water-stained.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

No. 1165.

foll. 233; lines 11; size $12\frac{1}{2} \times 8$; 10×6 .

The Same.

A copy of the Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version; complete in two separate volumes.

Vol. I.

Beginning with Sûrat al-Fâtihah (chapter i) and ending with Sûrat an-Nahl (chapter xvi).

No. 1166.

foll. 285; lines and size same as above.

The Same.

Vol. II.

Beginning with $S\hat{u}ratu\ Ban\hat{i}\ Isr\hat{a}'\hat{i}l$ (chapter xvii) and extending to the end of the Qurân.

Both volumes are written in fair and fully vocalised Naskh, within red and blue ruled borders; with a double-page 'Unwân. The first, the middle and the last lines of every page are in large Şulş. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red. The verses are separated by gilt circles.

The interlinear Persian version is written in Nasta'lîq, in red. Slightly worm-eaten.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

No. 1167.

foll. 181; lines 17; size $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$; 2×2 .

The Same.

Written in small, closely written and fairly vocalised Naskh. Not dated; probably 17th contury.

No. 1168.

foll. 329; lines 8; size $12\frac{1}{2} \times 9\frac{1}{2}$; $9\frac{1}{2} \times 7$.

The Same.

A valuable copy of the Qurân, complete in two separate volumes.

Vol. I.

Beginning with Sûrat al-Fâtiḥah (chapter i) and ending with the following words of the 76th verse of Sûratu Banî Isrâ'îl (chapter xvii):—

No. 1169.

foll. 368; lines and size same as above.

The Same.

Vol. II.

Beginning at the point where the first volume ends in the 76th verse of Sûratu Banî Isrâ'îl and extending to the end of the Qurân.

Both volumes are written in fair, large and fully vocalised Suls, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The verses are separated by gilt roses; and the end of every five and ten verses is marked by the words and and, respectively, in gold. The titles of the Sûrahs are in gold within floral ornaments. The signs of Waqf, Wasl, Madd and Imalah are supplied by a later hand in red. Foll. 1-29 are slightly damaged.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

No. 1170.

foll. 411; lines 12; size $9\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{3}{4} \times 4$.

The Same.

A very fine and valuable copy of the Qurân.

Written in good Naskh, with all the vowel points and discritical marks, within illuminated borders. The titles of the Sûrahs are in Suls, white on a gold ground. The verses are separated by gilt circles. The $Ruk\hat{u}$ (section) and the four main divisions of each Juz are marked by larger gilt circles in the margin. The interlinear spaces are filled with gold. The margins of the first two pages as well those of the last two are covered with elaborate ornaments in gold and colours.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

No. 1171.

foll. 30; lines 41; size $10\frac{1}{2} \times 7$; $9\frac{1}{4} \times 6$.

The Same.

An exceedingly valuable and very fine copy of the Qurân in 30 foll.

According to the following colophon, dated Muḥarram, A.H. 1112 = A.D. 1700, this copy is from the pen of 'Abdalbâqî Ḥaddâd, the celebrated calligrapher of Harât:—

تمت هذه التسويد من كلام المجيد بحمد الله تعالى وحسن توفيقه محرم الحرام سنة اثنى عشر و مائة و الف حامدا لله على نعمه و مصليا على نبيه محمد و آله الطاهرين المطهرين كتبه العبد المدنب عبد الباقى حداد *

This 'Abdalbâqî Haddâd, as stated in the Tadkirah-i-Khush-nawîsân, p. 125, came to India in the last years of the reign of Shâhjahân (A.H. 1037-1068=A.D. 1628-1658). He was well-skilled in writing Naskh, in which branch of calligraphy he surpassed all his contemporaries. He presented to Prince Muhîyaddîn (afterwards Aurangzîb) several specimens of his calligraphy, including two splendid copies of the Qurân, one of them being in 30 foll. (probably the

present MS.), and a copy of the Sahîfah of Imâm Zain al-'Âbidîn (see Hand-list, No. 1471). He was honoured by Shâhjahân with the title of Yâqût-Raqam. Subsequently he left India to return to his home in Harât, leaving at Delhi a number of eminent pupils, some of whom also received the titles of Yâqût-Raqam and Yâqût-Raqam Khân. He was alive up to A.H. 1114=A.D. 1702, in which year he completed another copy of the Qurân (No. 1172 below). The exact date of his death and further particulars of his life are not known.

Written in small, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders. Each of the thirty Juz of the Qurân, although they vary in length, has been very skilfully accommodated within two pages. The verses are divided by small gilt circles. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red. The interlinear spaces in the first two pages are filled with gold.

Slightly worm-eaten and water-stained.

No. 1172.

foll. 372; lines 12; size $5\frac{3}{4} \times 4$; $3\frac{3}{4} \times 2\frac{3}{4}$.

The Same.

A valuable and elegant pocket-Qurân.

Written by the same 'Abdalbâqî Ḥaddâd on a gold ground in small and close Naskh, with all the vowel points and diacritical marks, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The first two pages are profusely illuminated. The beginnings of the four main divisions of each Juz are marked by ornaments in the margin. The end of each verse is marked by a cross in red. The signs of Waqf, Waşl, Madd, Imâlah, etc., are in red. The titles of the Sûrahs are also in red.

At the end is a prayer, to be recited after finishing the reading of the Qurân.

Dated A.H. 1114=A.D. 1702.

The MS. was presented by Fadl Imâm Khân Bahadur of Neora, near Patna.

No. 1173.

foll. 14; lines 13; size $7 \times 4\frac{1}{2}$; 5×3 .

The Same.

A collection of five Sûrahs, viz., xxxvi; xlviii; lvi; lxvii; and lxxviii.

Written in fair and vocalised Naskh on a gold ground, within gold and coloured ruled borders; with an illuminated frontispiece.

Dated A.H. 1120=A.D. 1708.

.احمد بن ملا لقمان عالمگيري . Scribe

No. 1174.

foll. 349; lines 12; size $9\frac{1}{2} \times 6$; $6 \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

The Same.

A very splendid copy of the Qurân

Written in good and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold-ruled borders; with a double-page 'Unwân. The interlinear spaces are filled with gold. The titles of the Sûrahs are written in an elaborate Şulş character, white on a gold ground. The verses are separated by gold roses. The margins are covered with floral ornaments. The title-page and a fly-leaf opposite it contain the following verse of the Qurân, written in white on a gold ground, within richly illuminated borders:—

Dated A.H. 1135=A.D. 1722.

محمد رضاء بن محمد بديع الحسيني .

A second fly-leaf at the beginning contains a prayer to be recited, prior to the reading of the Qurân.

The title-page contains a seal and the signature of Ḥafîzannisâ' Khâtûn, dated A.H. 1213=A.D. 1799.

The seals of Nawwâb Wilâyat 'Alî Khân of Patna City and of his grandson, Sayyid Khurshîd Nawwâb, are found at the end.

The MS. was presented to the library by Khân Bahâdur Muḥammad Ismā'îl.

No. 1175.

foll. 346; lines 11; size $12 \times 8\frac{1}{2}$; $9\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A copy of the Quran, with an interlinear Persian version and marginal notes, also in Persian.

According to a note at the end, the interlinear Persian version and the marginal notes are based on a commentary on the Qurân by Âqâ Muḥammad Hâdî Mâzindarânî. The note runs thus:—

This Âqâ Muḥammad Hâdî Mâzindarânî, the son of a sister of Mullâ Muḥammad Bâqir Majlisî (a. A.H. 1110=A.D. 1698), was an eminent Shî'ah scholar. He flourished in the earlier part of the 12th century of the Hijrah, and wrote, besides a Persian commentary on the Qurân, a gloss upon the Anwâr at-Tanzîl of Al-Baidâwî (d. A.H. 685=A.D. 1286), and a Persian commentary on the Shâfiyah of Ibn al-Hâjib (d. A.H. 646=A.D. 1248). See Kashf al-Hujub, foll. 47a and 90a.

The text is written in fair large Naskh, with all the vowels, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The first two and the last six pages are richly illuminated. The verses are divided by gilt circles.

The interlinear Persian version is written in elegant small Nasta'lîq, in red ink.

At the end there are two prayers, the first to be recited prior to the reading of the Qurân, and the other after completing its reading.

Dated Tuesday, the 14th Muharram, A.H. 1145=A.D. 1732.

.مقصود علي بن عبد الكريم:

No. 1176.

foll. 7; lines 9; size $6\frac{1}{4} \times 4$; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

Sûrat al-Fath (chapter xlviii), complete.

Written on a gold ground in large, elegant and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders; with a double-page 'Unwân.

Dated A.H. 1146=A.D. 1733.

معمد رضاء بن معمد تقى التبريزي : Scribe

The title-page contains, besides two 'Arddidah, the following three seals.

- 1. A seal bearing the name of Muḥammad Ṣibġatallâh Khân, dated a.H. 1182=a.D. 1768.
- 2. A seal bearing the name of 'Anbar 'Alî Khân, dated A.H. 1182=A.D. 1768.
- 3. A seal bearing the name of 'Alî Naqî, dated A.H. 1195=A.D. 1781.

No. 1177.

foll. 459; lines 13; size $7\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$; $5\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

The Same.

A very fine and valuable copy of the Qurân.

Written in elegant small Naskh, with all the vowel points and diacritical marks, within illuminated borders. Foll. $1^{\rm b}$ – $3^{\rm a}$, $78^{\rm b}$, $79^{\rm a}$, $153^{\rm b}$, $154^{\rm a}$, $209^{\rm b}$, $210^{\rm a}$, $274^{\rm b}$, $275^{\rm a}$, $335^{\rm a}$, $388^{\rm b}$, $389^{\rm a}$, $456^{\rm b}$ and $457^{\rm a}$ are very richly illuminated. The $Ruk\hat{u}^i$ and the four main divisions of each Juz are marked by marginal ornaments. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red, within ornamental borders. The verses are separated by gilt circles.

Dated A.H. 1147=A.D. 1734.

الحمد بن ملا عثمان نيريزي : Scribe

At the end is a prayer, to be recited after finishing the reading of the Qurân.

No. 1178.

foll. 415; lines 12; size 20×12 ; $15 \times 8\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

An exceedingly valuable and splendid copy of the Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version.

The text is written on a paper of reddish tint in elegant, large and fully vocalised Naskh, within black-ruled and broad gold borders; with a double-page 'Unwân. The four main divisions of each Juz, the $Ruk\hat{u}$ ' (section) and the end of every five verses are marked by elaborate ornaments in the margin. The titles of the Sûrahs are

in Şulş, in gold, within beautifully illuminated borders. The verses are divided by illuminated circles.

The interlinear Persian version is written in fair Nasta'lîq, in red ink.

Dated the 1st Rabî' II, A.H. 1160=A.D. 1747.

According to a note on the title-page, the MS. was once purchased by a certain Hasan at Shîrâz, on the 6th Jumâdâ II, A.H. 1162=A.D. 1749, for Rs. 5,000.

No. 1179.

foll. 137; lines 11; size $23 \times 12\frac{1}{2}$; 17×9 .

The Same.

A very splendid and exceedingly valuable large-size Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version; complete in three separate volumes.

Vol. I.

Beginning with Sûrat al-Fâtiḥah (chapter i) and breaking off abruptly with the following words of the 101st verse of Sûrat al-Barâ'at (chapter ix):—

وَ مِنْ آهُلِ ٱلْمَدِيُّنَةِ مَرَدُوا *

No. 1180.

foll. 136; lines and size same as above.

The Same.

Vol. II.

Beginning at the point where the first volume ends in the 101st verse of Sûrat al-Bard'at (chapter ix) and breaking off abruptly with the following words of the 39th verse of Sûrat al-'Ankabût (chapter xxix):—

وَ لَقَدْ جَاءَ هُمْ مُوسَى بِٱلْبَيِّنْتِ *

No. 1181.

foll. 144; lines and size same as above.

The Same.

Vol. III.

Beginning at the point where the second volume ends in the 39th verse of Sûrat al-'Ankabût (chapter xxix) and extending to the end of the Qurân.

All the above three volumes are in the handwriting of Qâdî Ismatallâh Khân, a calligrapher of great reputation and skill, who surpassed all his contemporaries in the writing of Naskh. He died in A.H. 1186 = A.D. 1772, leaving behind him several specimens of his remarkable penmanship. See Tadkirah-i-Khushnawîsân, p. 127.

The text is written in excellent large Naskh, with all the vowel points and discritical marks, within blue-ruled and broad gold borders. The titles of the Sûrahs, indicating in each case whether it was revealed at Mecca or Medina, and giving the number of verses contained in each Sûrah, are written in a beautiful Şulş character, in white on a gold ground, within ornamental borders. The $Ruk\hat{u}^{\epsilon}$ (section) and the beginnings of the four main divisions of each Juz are marked by elaborate and beautiful ornaments in the margin.

The first four pages of the first volume and the last two of the third volume are very richly and tastefully illuminated.

The interlinear Persian version is written in elegant small Nasta'liq.

The colophon runs thus:-

Dated A.H. 1185=A.D. 1771.

At the end is a prayer, to be recited after perusing the Qurân.

No. 1182.

foll. 177; lines 21; size $4\frac{1}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$; $3\frac{3}{4} \times 2$.

The Same.

A very fine pocket-Qurân.

Written in good, small, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders; with a double-page

Unwan. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red. The verses are divided by gilt circles.

Slightly water-stained.

Dated Friday, the 2nd Shawwâl A.H. 1195=A.D. 1781.

. محمد بن محمد رفيع الالمونى : Scribe

No. 1183.

foll. 605; lines 9; size $10\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{3}{4}$; $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5$.

The Same.

An exceedingly valuable copy of the Qurân.

Written in elegant, large and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and blue ruled borders. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red, within illuminated borders. The verses are separated by gilt circles. The $Ruk\hat{u}$ and the four main divisions of each Juz are marked in the margin by larger gilt circles. The first two pages as well as the last two are richly illuminated.

At the end is a prayer, to be recited after completing the reading of the Qurân.

The colophon runs thus:-

قد وقع الفراغ بتوفيق الله الحميد من تحرير هذا القرآن المجيد يهدي القريب و البعيد العبد الضعيف النحيف المحتاج الى رحمة الله عصمت الله برادر زادة ياقوت رفم خان صرحوم غفر الله ذنوبهما *

According to the above colophon, the MS. is from the pen of 'Iṣmatallâh, the son of the brother of Muḥammad 'Ârif, who was himself a good calligrapher and a disciple of the celebrated 'Abdalbâqî Ḥaddâd, and was honoured by Shâh 'Âlam Bahâdur Shâh I (A.H. 1119-1124=A.D. 1707-1712) with the title of Yâqût Raqam Khân. 'Iṣmatallâh learnt the art of calligraphy from his aforesaid uncle, and lived in the time of Nawwâb Shujâ'addawlah of Audh (A.H. 1167-1188=A.D. 1753-1775). See Tadkirah-i-Khushnawîsân, p. 126.

The title-page contains a seal of Bakhshî al-Mulk Saifaddawlah Najaf Qulî Khân (d. A.H. 1205=A.D. 1790), dated A.H. 1191=A.D. 1777.

No. 1184.

foll. 436; lines 12; size 13×8 ; 9×5 .

The Same.

A copy of the Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version, and marginal notes, also in Persian.

The text is written in fair bold Naskh, with all the vowel points and diacritical marks, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The verses are separated by gilt roses. The four main divisions of each Juz are marked by marginal ornaments. The titles of the Sûrahs are in white on a gold ground, within rich borders. The title-page and a fly-leaf opposite it are occupied by geometrical and floral patterns in gold and colours. The first two pages of the MS. are richly illuminated.

The interlinear Persian version is written in fair Naskh, in red ink.

The following colophon is written in Şulş, white on a gold ground, within rich borders:—

According to the above colophon, the MS. is from the pen of Shaikh 'Abdalmajid, the son of Mullâ Ahmad Jiwan of Amaithî (d. A.H. 1130=A.D. 1718), the celebrated tutor of the Emperor Aurangzib (A.H. 1069-1118=A.D. 1659-1707); and the author of several well-known works.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

The last folio contains several seals and 'Arddîdah, the earliest of which is dated A.H. 1123=A.D. 1711.

No. 1185.

foll. 225; lines 11; size $8\frac{3}{4} \times 5$; $6\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

·The Same.

The first half of the Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version, and marginal notes, also in Persian. It extends to the end of Sûrat al-Kahf (chapter xviii).

The text is written in fair Naskh, with all the vowel points and discritical marks, within gold and black ruled borders. The titles of the Sûrahs are in elegant Suls, in gold. The verses are divided by

gilt circles, and the end of every five and ten verses is marked in the margin by the words عشر, respectively. The first two pages are very richly illuminated. The interlinear Persian version is written in elegant Nasta'lîq, in red ink.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

The MS. was presented to the library by Sayyid Safdar Nawwâb of Patna City.

No. 1186.

foll. 80; lines 11; size $8\frac{3}{4} \times 5$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$

The Same.

A fragment of the Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version, and marginal notes, also in Persian. It extends from the beginning of Sûratu Maryam (chapter xix) to the 56th verse of Sûrat ar-Rûm (chapter xxx).

The text is written in elegant Naskh, with all the vowel points and discritical marks, within gold and black ruled borders. The titles of the Sûrahs are in Şulş, in gold. The verses are separated by gilt circles, and the end of every five and ten verses is marked in the margin by the words عشر, respectively, in gold.

The interlinear Persian version is written in elegant small Nasta'liq, in red ink.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1187.

foll. 33; lines 11; size $7\frac{3}{4} \times 6$; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A fragment of the Qurân, extending from the 46th verse of Sûrat al-'Ankabût (chapter xxix) to the 27th verse of Sûratu Yâsîn (chapter xxxvi).

Written in fair Naskh, with all the vowels, within yellow and black ruled borders. The first double-page and the last are richly illuminated. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red. The verses are separated by gilt circles.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

The title-page contains the seals of Nawwâb Wilâyat 'Alî Khân of Patna City and of his grandson, Sayyid Khurshîd Nawwâb.

The MS. was presented to the library by Khân Bahâdur Muḥam-mad Ismâ'îl.

No. 1188.

foll. 22; lines 14-16; size $21\frac{1}{4} \times 12\frac{1}{2}$; $19\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A MS. containing several short extracts from various Sûrahs of the Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version, and marginal notes, also in Persian.

Written in fair, large and vocalised Naskh on a gold ground, within illuminated borders. The last seven folios are written in Suls, in white on a crimson ground.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1189.

foll. 151; lines 11; size $14\frac{3}{4} \times 9$; $12\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{3}{4}$.

The Same.

A MS. containing five Juz of the Qurân, viz., v (foll. 1^b-32^a); viii (foll. 33^b-64^a); xi (foll. 65^b-96^a); xiv (foll. 97^b-128^a); and xxii (foll. 129^b-151^a).

Foll. 32^b, 33^a, 64^b, 65^a, 96^b, 97^a, 128^b and 129^a are blank.

Written on a crimson ground in fair bold Naskh, with all the vowels, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The titles of the Sûrahs, as well as the signs of Waqf, Madd, Wasl, etc., are in white. The verses are separated by gilt circles.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1190.

foll. 33; lines 9; size $2\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{3}{4}$; $2\frac{1}{2} \times 1$.

The Same.

A collection of seven Sûrahs of the Qurân, viz., xxxvi; xlviii lv; lvi; lxxiii; lxxiii; and lxxviii.

A very fine copy. Written in elegant, small and fully vocalised

Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders; with an illuminated frontispiece. The titles of the Sûrahs are in gold. The verses are divided by gilt circles. The interlinear spaces are filled with gold.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1191.

foll. 41; lines 7; size same as above.

The Same.

Another copy of the same seven Sûrahs.

Written in the same hand, and in the same manner, as the above. Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1192.

foll. 485; lines 12; size $4\frac{1}{4} \times 2\frac{3}{4}$; $3\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A pocket-Qurân, defective at the beginning.

Written in small and rather cursive Naskh, with all the vowels, within red and blue ruled borders. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red ink.

Slightly water-stained and worm-eaten. Foll. 1, 6, and 44 are wanting.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1193.

foll. 114; lines 18; size $9\frac{1}{2} \times 5$; $6\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A defective and incomplete copy of the Qurân, with an anonymous Persian commentary in the margin; in two separate volumes.

Vol. I.

Beginning abruptly with the following words of the 115th verse of Sûrat al-Baqarah (chapter ii):—

Ending abruptly with the following words of the 79th verse of Sûrat al-Kahf (chapter xviii):—

No. 1194.

fon. 93; lines and size same as above.

The Same.

Vol. II.

Beginning at the point where the previous volume ends, in the 79th verse of $S\hat{u}rat \ al$ -Kahf (chapter xviii), and breaking off abruptly in the beginning of the fourth verse of $S\hat{u}rat \ at$ - $Ta\hat{g}\hat{u}bun$ (chapter $|xiv\rangle$).

Both volumes are written in fair Naskh, with vowel points and diacritical marks. The titles of the Sûrahs are in white on a gold ground. The verses are separated by gilt circles. The interlinear spaces are filled with gold. The first double-page of the first volume is richly illuminated.

The commentary is written in fair Nasta'lîq.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

The MS. was presented by Sayyid Safdar Nawwâb of Patna City.

No. 1195.

foll. 516; lines 11; size $6\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$; $3\frac{1}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

Written in good and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders; with a double-page 'Unwân. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red. The verses are divided by gilt circles. The beginning of each Juz is distinguished by a larger gilt circle in the margin.

Slightly worm-eaten.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1196.

foll. 328; lines 15; size $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$; $3 \times 1\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A valuable pocket-Qurân.

Written on gold-sprinkled paper in elegant, small, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold, blue and black ruled borders. The first four pages are richly illuminated. The titles of the Sûrah are in gold. The verses are divided by gilt roses. Foll. 2 and 3 are slightly damaged.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

The MS. was presented by Sayyid Khurshîd Nawwâb of Patna City on the 23rd February, 1904.

No. 1197.

foll. 281; lines 16; size $12 \times 8\frac{1}{2}$; $9\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

A copy of the Quran, with an interlinear Persian version.

The text is written in fair and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The titles of the Sûrahs are in white on a gold ground. The beginnings of the four main divisions of each Juz are marked by marginal ornaments. The margins of the first double-page and the last two are covered with beautiful ornaments in gold and colours.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

The seals and signatures of Nawwâb Sayyid Wilâyat 'Alî Khân of Patna City and of his grandson, Sayyid Khurshîd Nawwâb, are found on the title-page as well as at the end.

No. 1198.

foll. 218; lines 17; size $22\frac{1}{2} \times 12$; $13\frac{1}{2} \times 7$.

The Same.

A magnificent large-size Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version, and a Persian commentary by Fathallâh bin Shukrallâh al-

Kâshânî (d. A.H. 997=A.D. 1589; see Kashf al-Hujub, fol. 56b), entitled Khulâsat al-Manhaj.

The commentary begins thus:-

The text and the commentary are both incomplete at the end. They break off abruptly with the 11th verse of $S\hat{u}ratu\ N\hat{u}h$ (chapter lxxi).

The text is written in beautiful large Naskh on a gold ground, with all the vowel points and discritical marks, within richly illuminated borders. The interlinear Persian version is written in fair Nasta'liq, in red ink.

The commentary is written slantwise in the margins in good Nasta'liq, with quotations from the text in red ink. The interlinear spaces in the margins are filled with ornaments.

The verses are divided by illuminated circles. The titles of the Sûrahs are in blue on a gold ground, within rich borders. The margin of the first double-page is covered with excellent and very elaborate ornaments in gold and colours.

At the beginning are two fly-leaves containing the various titles of the Qurân.

Interleaved with sheets of blank vellum, and bound in painted and glazed covers of Kashmîrî workmanship. The name of Bâdshâh Begam, for whom the MS. was prepared, is written thus on the edge of the right-hand cover of the MS.:—

This $B\hat{a}d\underline{sh}\hat{a}h$ Begam was the mother of Nawwâb Âṣafaddawlah of Audh (A.H. 1188-1212=A.D. 1775-1797).

On the edge of the left-hand cover is written the name of the book-binder, Fadl 'Alî.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1199.

foll. 266; lines 15; size $12\frac{1}{4} \times 8$; $8 \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A richly illuminated copy of the Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version, and a Persian commentary, entitled <u>Khulâsat al-Manhaj</u> (see No. 1198 above).

The text and the commentary are both incomplete at the end. They break off abruptly in the beginning of the 9th verse of Sûrat as-Ṣaff (chapter lxi).

The text is written in elegant Naskh on a gold ground, with all the vowel points and discritical marks, within richly illuminated borders. The interlinear Persian version is written in fair Nasta'lîq, in red ink.

The Persian commentary is written slantwise in the margins in good Nasta'lîq, with quotations from the text, in red ink. The interlinear spaces in the margins are occupied by floral designs in gold and colours.

The verses are divided by illuminated circles. The titles of the Sûrahs are in blue on a gold ground, within ornamental borders. The first double-page is richly illuminated. The $Ruk\hat{u}^i$ (section) and the four main divisions of each Juz are marked by illuminations in the margin.

Foll. 1b-7b contain a preface to the Persian commentary, beginning as follows:—

Foll. 8^b-11^b contain a short extract from the <u>Khulâṣat al-Arkân</u>, a Persian work on the correct pronunciation of the Qurân.

Foll. 8a and 12a are blank.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1200.

foll. 34; lines 7; size $8\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$; $6 \times 3\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

The 8th Juz of the Qurân.

Written in elegant, large and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders; with a tastefully illuminated frontispiece. The heading of the Juz and the title of $S\hat{u}rat$ al- $A'r\hat{a}f$ (chapter vii) are in Suls, white on a gold ground. The verses are divided by gilt circles. The $Ruk\hat{u}'$ (section) is marked in the margin by a large gilt circle, enclosing the letter ε in white. The end of the first quarter, the half and the third quarter of the Juz is marked by marginal ornaments of various designs, enclosing the words \hat{u} and \hat{u} are precively.

Dated A.H. 1212=A.D. 1797.

No. 1201.

foll. 467; lines 13; size $5\frac{3}{4} \times 3$; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2$.

The Same.

Written in elegant Naskh, with all the vowel points and diacritical marks, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The first double-page is tastefully illuminated. Fol. 2^b contains an illuminated frontispiece. The titles of the Sûrahs are in white, on a gold ground. The verses are divided by gold roses.

At the end is a prayer, to be recited after completing the reading of the Qurân.

Six fly-leaves at the beginning contain a table of the Sûrahs of the Qurân.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1202.

foll. 710; lines 5; size $12\frac{1}{4} \times 9$; $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5$.

The Same.

A copy of the Qurân, with an interlinear Urdu version; complete in two separate volumes.

Vol. T.

The first half of the Qurân, ending with the 74th verse of Sûrat al-Kahf (chapter xviii).

No. 1203.

foll. 706; lines and size same as above.

The Same.

Vol. II.

The latter half of the Qurân, beginning with the 75th verse of Sûrat al-Kahf (chapter xviii).

Both volumes are written in elegant bold and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The verses are separated by gilt circles. The titles of the Sûrahs are in blue on a

gold ground, within rich borders. The $Ruk\hat{u}$ (section) and the four main divisions of each Juz are marked in the margin by ornaments of various designs. The margins of the first four pages of the first volume are covered with tasteful and brilliant illuminations.

The interlinear Urdû version is written in fair Nasta'lîq, in red ink.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

Seals of Sayyid Khurshîd Nawwâb of Patna City are found on the title-page as well as at the end.

No. 1204.

foll. 234; lines 17; size $19\frac{3}{4} \times 12\frac{1}{4}$; $15\frac{1}{2} \times 7\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A copy of the Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version. The Sûrahs are arranged according to the chronological order of revelation.

At the end there are two additional Sûrahs, called respectively Sûrat an-Nûrain and Sûrat al-Wilâyat, and thirty-three additional verses belonging to various Sûrahs, which are not found in the text of the Qurân published by 'Usmân, the third Caliph (A.H. 23-35=A.D. 644-656). Some Shî'ahs of later times have contended that certain portions were deliberately omitted by 'Uşmân, since they favoured 'Alî, the fourth Caliph (A.H. 35-40 = A.D. 656-661), and his family. But this is difficult to believe. 'Usman could scarcely have omitted any portion without it being observed at the time; how would 'Alî have accepted 'Usmân's recension, had he done so? Indeed, 'Alî himself is said to have transcribed copies of the Quran from the same The Qurân itself contains frequent denunciations against those who should presume to fabricate anything in the name of the Lord, or conceal any part of that which He had revealed; and we cannot believe that any one among the early Muslims would have dared to contemplate such an act. Moreover, there are many anecdotes recorded in the canonical books of Hadîs, which go to show that the copies of the Qurân, circulated by 'Usmân, were transcribed from the recension made by Abû Bakr, the first Caliph (A.H. 11-13=A.D. 632-634), which is admitted by all Muslims to have been a faithful reproduction of the revelation as reduced to writing in the presence of the Prophet, and to agree in every particular, both in text and in arrangement, with the Qurân as preserved in the memories of the Şahâbah.

The purity of the text of the Qurân is universally recognised. Among European scholars, the following opinion of Sir William Muir, in his "Life of Muhamet" (p. 557), may be quoted:—

"There is probably in the world no other work which has remained twelve centuries with so pure a text. The various readings are wonderfully few in number, and are chiefly confined to differences in the vowel points and diacritical signs. But these marks were invented at a later date. They did not exist at all in the early copies, and can hardly be said to affect the text of Othmân ('Uṣmân)."

The additional Sûrahs and verses, found in the present copy, were no doubt composed by some Shî'ah scholar of later times; and the Shî'ahs themselves do not believe them to be the word of God, for they do not think it lawful to recite them in their prayers. Cf. Geschichte des Qorans, 2nd edition, edited by Schwally, vol. ii, pp. 93-112.

The Sûrahs, as they stand in the present copy, are as follows:-

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: سورة المرامل .4 ; سورة القلم .3 ; سورة العلق .2 ; سورة الفاتحه .1
; سورة الاعلى .8 ; سورة تكوير .7 ; سورة ابى لهب .6 ; سورة المدثر .5
; سورة انشرام .12 ; سورة الضحى .11 ; سورة الفجر .10 ; سورة الليل .9
; سورة التكاثر .16 ; سورة الكوثر .15 ; سورة العاديات .14 ; سورة التعصر .13
إسورة الفلق .20 ; سورة الفيل .19 ; سورة الكافرون .18 ; سورة الماعون .17
; سورة عبس .24 ; سورة النجم .23 ; سورة الاخلاص .22 ; سورة الناس .21
; سورة و اللين .28 ; سورة الدروج .27 ; سورة الشمس .26 ; سورة القدر .25
; سورة الهمورة , 32. وسورة القيمة .31 ; سورة القارعة .30 ; سورة قويش .29
; سورة الطارق .36 ; سورة البلد .35 ; سورة ق .34 ; سورة الموسلات .33
; سورة ، الجن . 40 ; سورة الاعراف . 39 ; سورة ص . 38 ; سورة القمر . 37
; سورة المريم .44 ; سورة الملككة .43 ; سورة الفرقان .42 ; سورة يس .41
; سورة النبل .48 ; سورة الشعراء .47 ; سورة الواقعة .46 ; سورة طَه .45 ;
; سورة الهود . 52 ; سورة يونس . 51 ; سورة بني اسرائيل . 50 ; سورة القصص . 49
خ سورة الصافات . 56 ; سورة الانعام . 55 ; سورة الحجر . 54 ; سورة يوسف . 53
; سورة الموعمن . 60 ; سورة الرامو . 59 ; سورة السبا . 58 ; سورة لقمان . 57
; سورة الدخان . 64 ; سورة المرخرف . 63 ; سورة الشوري . 62 ; سورة سجده . 61
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إن سورة الغاشية . 68 ; سورة الذاريات . 67 ; سورة اللحقاف . 66 ; سورة الجائية . 68 ; سورة الباعيم . 72 ; سورة اللوح . 70 ; سورة اللوح . 70 ; سورة اللوح . 70 ; سورة اللوح . 73 ; سورة الطور . 74 ; سورة المسجدة . 75 ; سورة الطور . 74 ; سورة اللهنياء . 75 ; سورة اللباء . 78 ; سورة اللباء . 79 ; سورة النباء . 80 ; سورة المبلك . 79 ; سورة النباء . 81 . شورة النباء . 82 ; سورة اللنازغات . 83 ; سورة اللنازغات . 84 ; سورة اللنازغات . 85 ; سورة اللنازغات . 85 ; سورة اللنازغات . 85 ; سورة اللباء . 86 ; سورة اللباء . 80 ; سورة اللباء . 90 ; سورة اللباء . 100 ; سورة اللباء . 110 ; سورة اللباء .

The text is written in beautiful large Naskh, with all the vowel points and discritical marks, within gold and black ruled borders. The verses are properly numbered in red ink, and separated by gilt circles. The interlinear Persian version is written in fair Nasta'lîq in red ink. Fol. 142^a is blank.

Two fly-leaves at the beginning contain a table of the Sûrahs of the Qurân.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1205.

foll. 402; lines 12; size $16 \times 9\frac{1}{2}$; $13 \times 6\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A large-size Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version, and marginal notes, also in Persian.

The text is written in elegant and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders; with a double-page 'Unwan. The title-page contains an octagonal ornamental design in gold and

colours. The $Ruk\hat{u}^*$ (section) and the beginnings of the four main divisions of each Juz are marked in the margin by oblong ornaments. The verses are divided by gilt roses. The titles of the Sûrahs are in white on a gold ground, within illuminated borders.

The interlinear Persian version is written in small Naskh, in red ink.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

Foll. 401b-402a contain a prayer, to be recited after completing the reading of the Qurân.

The seals of Nawwâb Wilâyat 'Alî Khân of Patna City and of his grandson, Sayyid Khhurshîd Nawwâb, are found on the titlepage as well as at the end.

The MS. was presented to the library by Khân Bahâdur Sayyid Muḥammad Ismâ'îl on the 21st July, 1903.

No. 1206.

Foll. 197; lines 19; size $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A valuable pocket-Quran.

Written in elegant, fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders. The first two pages are richly illuminated. The margins of foll. 2b and 3a are covered with floral designs in gold and colours, while the interlinear spaces are filled with gold. The title-page and three fly-leaves at the beginning, containing a prayer to be recited prior to the reading of the Qurân and a table of the Sûrahs, are profusely illuminated. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red on a gold ground. The verses are separated by gilt roses. Each *Hizb* and the four main divisions of each *Juz* of the Qurân are marked by marginal ornaments.

At the end is a prayer, to be recited after completing the reading of the Qurân.

Slightly worm-eaten.

Dated A.H. 1237=A.D. 1821.

محمد حسين بن محمد صادق : Scribe

The MS. was presented by Sayyid 'Alî Naqî of Muzaffarpûr.

No. 1207.

foll. 31; lines 31; size $9\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $8 \times 5\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A copy of the Quran in 30 foll.

Written in small elegant Naskh, with occasional vowel points, within black-ruled borders. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red ink.

The title-page contains a prayer to be recited prior to the reading of the Qurân, and the last folio a prayer to be recited after completing its reading.

Dated Thursday, the 1st Rabî' I, A.H. 1292=A.D. 1875.

محمد هادي بن آغا محمد على بن ملا على نقي مازندراني : Scribe

The MS. was presented by Sayyid Safdar Nawwâb of Patna City on the 21st July, 1909.

No. 1208.

foll. 39; lines 11; size $4\frac{3}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$; $3\frac{3}{4} \times 2$.

The Same.

A MS. containing short extracts from various Sûrahs of the Qurân.

Written in ordinary Indian Naskh, with all the vowel points, within coloured ruled borders.

Not dated; probably 19th century.

No. 1209.

foll. 152; lines 11; size $12 \times 8\frac{1}{2}$; $8\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A fragment of the Qurân, extending from the 201st verse of Sūrat al-A'râf (chapter vii) to the 32nd verse of Sūratu Luqmân (chapter xxxi).

Written in Naskh, with numerous short lacunae.

Not dated; probably 19th century.

No. 1210.

foll. 300; lines 13; size $12 \times 7\frac{1}{2}$; $8\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

Written in elegant, large and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold, blue and black ruled borders; with a fine double page 'Unwân. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red ink. The verses are divided by gilt circles. The $Ruk\bar{u}$ ' (section) and the four main divisions of each Juz are marked in the margin by larger illuminated circles.

Not dated; probably 19th century.

VARIOUS READINGS OF THE QURÂN.

No. 1211.

foll. 281; lines 12; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{3}{4}$; $6\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$.

كتاب الحجه في القراأت السبعه

KITAB AL-HUJJAH FI'L-QIRÂ'ÂT AS-SAB'AH.

The first two parts of the Kitâb al-Hujjah (book of convincing argument), a very rare and old work on the various readings of the seven canonical Qurân-readers, described in Hâj. Khal, vol. v, pp. 93 and 134, as a commentary on the Kitâb al-Qirâ'ât as-Sab'ah of Abû Bakr Ahmad bin Mûsâ, commonly called Ibn Mujâhid (d. A.H. 324=A.D. 936).

Author: Abû'Alî al-Ḥasan bin Aḥmad bin 'Abdalġaffâr bin 'Muḥammad bin Sulaimân bin Abân al-Fasawî al-Fârisî ابوعلى العسن بن عبد الغفار بن محمد بن سليمان بن ابان الفسوى الفارسي, one of the greatest of grammarians. He was born at Fasâ, a town in the province of Fars, in A.H. 288=A.D. 901. In A.H. 307=A.D. 919, he went to Baġdâd, where he prosecuted his studies under Abû Bakr Muḥammad Ibn as-Sarrâj (d A.H. 316=A.D. 929) and Ibrâhîm Ibn Sahl az-Zajjâj (d A.H. 310=A.D. 922), the greatest philologists of the time. He travelled over many countries, and stopped for some time at Aleppo, with Saifaddawlah Ibn Hamdân (A.H. 333—356

=A.D. 944—967), by whom he was received in A.H. 341=A.D. 953. He had some conferences there with the famous poet, Al-Mutanabbî (d. A.H. 354=A.D. 965). Later on he proceeded to Fârs, where he gained the favour and high esteem of 'Adudaddawlah Abū Shujâ' Khusraw (A.H. 338—372=A.D. 949—982), the second ruler of the Buwaihids of Fârs, for whom he composed his two famous grammatical works, viz., Al-'Idâh and At-Takmilah. Ibn Khallikân (De Slane's translation, vol. i, p. 381) says that he was suspected of being a Mu'tazalite. Ibn Abi'd-Dam (At-Ta'rîkh al-Islâmî, fol. 141b) says that the people of Baġdâd regarded him as a greater grammarian even than the celebrated Al-Mubarrad (d. A.H. 285=A.D. 998). Our author wrote a large number of books. Besides the present work and those mentioned in Brock., vol. i, p. 114, the following compositions of his are enumerated by Yâqût in the Irshâd al-Arîb (vol. vi, part iii, pp. 9—22):—

كتاب مغتصر (iii) ; كتاب الأيضاح الشعري (ii) ; كتاب ابيات الأعراب (i) المسائل (vi) ; المسائل البغدادية (v) ; المسائل الحليدة (vi) ; عوامل الأعراب ; كتاب المقصور و الممدود (ix) ; كتاب الأعفال (viii) ; المسائل القصوية (vii) ; الشيرازية (xii) ; المسائل المنثورة (xii) ; كتاب الترجمة (xii) ; كتاب نقض الهاذور (xii) كتاب التبع لكلام ابي على الجباعي (xv) ; ابيات المعاني (xiv) ; المسائل الدمشقية (xvi) ; المسائل العسكرية (xvi) ; المسائل البصوية (xvi) ; في التفسير (xvii) ; المسائل المصلحة من كتاب ابن السراج ; المسائل الكرمانية ; المسائل الكرمانية ; المسائل الكرمانية ; المسائل الكرمانية ;

He is called by some "Al-Fasawî" and by others "Al-Fârisî", with reference to his native town and province, respectively. He died at Baġdâd on Sunday, the 17th Rabî' II, A.H. 377=A.D. 987. Ibn al-Aşîr (Al-Kâmil, vol. ix, p. 36), however, places his death in A.H. 376=A.D.986. For further particulars of his life see Nâmah-i-Dânishwarân, vol. i, pp. 513—21; Ibn Khallikân (De Slane's translation, vol. i, pp. 379—81); Buġyat al-Wu'ât, fol 170b; Yâqût, vol. vi, part iii, pp. 9—22; Nuzhat al-Alibbâ', fol. 145a; Dustûr al-I'lâm, fol 90a; Tâj at-Tabaqât, vol. iv, part ii, fol. 189a; Mir'ât al-Janân, fol. 227b; Mujmal Faṣiḥî, fol. 126a; and Brock., vol. i, pp. 113—4.

Ibn Jinnî, the author's pupil, in the introduction to his work, entitled Al-Muhtasib (No. 1213 below), makes the following remarks regarding the Kitâb al-Hujjah:—

فان ابا علي رحمة الله تعالى عمل كتاب الحجة في القراآت فنيه قدر حاجة القراء الى ما يجفوا عنه كثير من العلماء و نحن VOL. XVIII.

بالله و له و اليه و هو حسدنا على ان الشيخ ابا علي رضي الله عنه قد كان وقتا حدث نفسه بعمله و هم ان يضع يده فيه و يبدأ به فاعترضت خوالج هذا الدهر دونه و حالت هفواته بينه و بينه هذا على ما كان رحمه الله تعالى عليه من خلو سربه و سروح فكره *

The MS. is defective at the beginning. It opens abruptly thus:—

...... قصدته و المعونة عليه و هو حسبنا و نعم الوكيل - فاتحة الكتاب - اختلفوا في اثبات الالف و اسقاطها من قوله جل و عز ملك يوم الدين فقواً عاصم و الكسائي مالك بالالف و قواً الباقون ملك بغير الالف و لم يمل احد الالف من مالك الني *

On fol. 144^b, the first part ends with these words:—

يتلولا في الجزء الثاني قوله تبارك و تعالى غشارةٌ في سورة البقرة البعرة التحمد للله كما هو اهله و صلى الله على محمد نبيه المصطفى و أله *

The second part, which is defective at the beginning, opens abruptly on fol. 146° with these words:—

...... فان شدُت جعلته صفة و اضمرت الخبر و البغداديون فيما حكى لنا عنهم يجيزون في هذا و ينهون ان يكون الظرف من صلة المنفي المبني غير المنون فاما قوله تبارك و تعالى لا بُشْرى يَوْمَدُد لِلمُجْرِمِيْنَ فان جعلت بُشْرى في موضع تنوين جاز ان يكون يَوْمَدُد من صُلّته و ان جعلته في موضع الفتح للنفي جاز ان يكون خبوا النم *

The second part ends on fol. 278a thus:--

يتلوة في الجزء الثالث أن شاء الله اختلفوا في اساري تفدوهم في اثبات الالف في الحرفين و اسقاطها و الحمد لله كما هو اهله و صلى الله على محمد نبية و آلة و سلم تسليما *

There are several notes, at the end of both parts, giving the names of those who read the MS. with Tâjaddîn Abu'l-Yumn Zaid bin al-Hasan al-Kindî, whose signature is found on the title-page of part X (see No. 1212 below).

This Tâjaddîn Abu'l-Yumn, a great grammarian and Qurânreader, was born at Baġdâd, A.H. 520=A.D. 1126. permanently at Damascus, where he gained the special favour of the Amîr 'Izzaddîn Farrukh Shâh, a nephew of Sulţân Şalâḥaddîn Yûsuf al-Ayyûbî (A.H.564--589=A.D.1169--1193). Having accompanied the Amîr to Egypt, he had an opportunity of consulting the most valuable works preserved in the libraries of that country. He composed several instructive works, some of which are noticed by Hâj. Khal.; but unfortunately none of them is now extant. He died at Damascus on Monday, the 6th Shawwâl, A.H. 613=A.D. 1217. For his life see Ibn Khallikan (De Slane's translation, vol. i, pp. 546-549); Bugyat al-Wu'ât, fol. 196a; Mir'ât al-Janân, fol. 381a; Tabaqât al-Qurrâ' by Ad-Dahabî, fol. 135ª; Dustûr al-I'lâm, fol. 118ª; Al-Jawâhir al-Mudîyah, vol. i, fol. 110°; Yâqût, vol. iv, p. 222; and Tâj at-Tabaqât, vol. vii, part i, fol. 53ª.

Fol. 144b contains the following note, dated the 6th Rabî'I, A.H. 582=A.D. 1186, which tells us that the MS. was read in the presence of Tâjaddîn al-Kindî at several sittings:—

سمع هذه المجلدة على المولى الصدر الامام الكبير تاج الدين شرف الاسلام سيد العلماء ابى اليمن زيد بن الحسن بن زيد الكذدي عبد الرحمٰن بن محمد بن ابراهيم الطهراني [و] حسام الدين ابو الحسن علي بن الحمد بن مكي و تقي الدين عمر بن الحسن بن علي الموصلي و شهاب الدين ابو المحاسن سليمان بن الفضل بن الحسن البانياسي و رضي الدين عبد اللجليل بن احمد الحواري و موفق الدين ابو الجذان رضوان بن و علي بن ابى الفضائل الدمشقي و عمر بن فضل عبد الله الصرخدي و ذلك في مجالس آخرها سادس ربيع الاول سنة اثنين و ثمانين و خمس مائة *

This is attested by Tâjaddîn al-Kindî in his own hand thus:-- هُدا صحيح و كتبه ابو اليمن بخطه *

Another note, on the same folio, copied from Tājaddîn al-Kindî's autograph note, and dated A.H. 623=A.D. 1226, reads thus:

شاهدت بخط شیخنا تاج الدین رحمه الله فی بیت الامام نجیب

الله الكندي سلمه الله و سمع ايضا كتاب الحجة في القراآت لابي علي الفارسي وهي روايتي عن شيخي الامام ابي محمد عبد الله بن علي بن الحمد قراءة عليه عن الشيخ ابي طاهر احمد بن علي بن عبد الله بن سوار المقرئ عن ابي عبد الله الحسين بن علي الامدي عن علي بن عيسي البيعي عن ابي علي الحسن بن احمد بن عبد الغفار الفارسي المصنف الربعي عن ابي علي الحسن بن احمد بن عبد الغفار الفارسي المصنف و كنت سمعتها عليه بقراءة غيري قبل ذلك و كتب ابو اليمن الكندي و نقلته كما شاهدته في صفر من سنة ثلاث و عشرين و ستمائة *

A note, in the margin of the same folio, a portion of which has been cut off by the binder, tells us of the reading of the MS. in the presence of the same Tâjaddîn al-Kindî at the grand mosque of Damascus at several sittings, the last of which was held on Wednesday, the 18th Du'l-Hijjah, A.H. 589=A.D. 1193.

- Fol. 145 contains a lengthy note, dated the 'Azîzîyah Madrasah, Damascus, Sunday, the 20th Du'l-Qa'dah, A.H. 606=A.D. 1210, giving the following names, among others, of those who read the book with Tâjaddîn al-Kindî:—
- 1. Qâdî Zakîaddîn Şadr ash-Shâm Abu'l-'Abbâs Tâhir bin Muhammad bin 'Alî al-Qurashî (d. A.H. 610=A.D. 1214; see Tabaqât by Ibn al-Mulaqqin, fol. 115^{b}).
- 2. Wajîhaddîn Abu'l-Faraj Ibrâhîm bin Yûsuf al-Ma'âfirî al-Bûnî (d. A.H. 612=A.D. 1216; see Al-Jawâhir al-Mudîyah, vol. i, fol. 22a).
- 3. Muḥammad bin Aḥmad Aṣḥ-Shâṭibî (d. а.н. 614=а.р. 1218; see Ṭabaqât al-Qurrâ' by Aḍ-Dahabî, fol. 138^b).
- 4. Abu'l-Ḥasan 'Alî bin Abi'l-Ḥasan bin Abî 'Abdallâh al-Wâsitî (d. A.H. 617=A.D. 1220; see ibid., fol. 141a).
- 5. Ismâ'îl bin 'Abdallâh bin 'Abdalmuḥsin al-Anmâtî (d. A.H. 619 = A.D. 1222; see Tabaqât by Al-Isnawî, fol. 24^{b}).
- 6. Zainaddîn Abu'l-Ḥusain Yaḥyâ bin Mu'ṭî bin 'Abdannûr az-Zuwâwî an-Naḥwî (d. A.H. 628=A.D. 1231; see Buġyat al-Wu'ât, fol. 333^a).
- 7. Abu'l-Fath Manşûr bin 'Abdallâh bin Jâmi' ad-Darîr (d. A.H. 641 = A.D. 1244; see Tabaqât al-Qurrâ' by Ad-Dahabî, fol. 152°).
- 8. Al-Muntakhab bin Abi'l-'Izz bin ar-Rashîd al-Hamdânî (d. A.H. 643=A.D. 1245; see ibid., fol. 151^a).
- 9. 'Alamaddîn Abu'l-Hasan 'Alî bin Muḥammad as-Sakhâwî (d. A.H. 643=A.D. 1245; see No. 1246 below).

- 10. Abu'l-Binâ' Maḥmûd, the son of 'Alamaddîn as-Sakhâwî.
- 11. Al-Qâdî al-Muntakhab Kamâladdîn Abu'l-Mufaddal Yahyâ bin Muhammad bin 'Alî al-Qurashî (d. A.H. 668=A.D. 1270; see Tabaqât by Ibn al-Mulaqqin, fol. 115^b).
- 12. Ismâ'îl bin Abî Tâlib al-'Aṭṭâr (d. A.H. 668=A.D. 1270; see Tabaqât al-Qurrâ' by Ad-Dahabî, fol. 155a).
- 13. Amînaddîn Abu'l-'Abbâs Aḥmad bin 'Abdallâh, the nephew of Tâjaddîn al-Kindî.
- 14. Abû Îshâq Îbrâhîm bin 'Abdalwahhâb bin Abi'l-Ma'âlî al-Khazrajî ar-Raihânî (who was alive up to A.H. 625=A.D. 1228; see Tabaqât by Ibn al-Mulaqqin, fol. 122a).
- 15. 'Azîzaddîn Abû Hâmid Muḥammad, the son of 'Imâdaddîn Muḥammad al-Kâtib al-Işfahânî (d. A.H. 597=A.D. 1200; see Husn al-Muḥâḍarah, fol. 142 b).

Fol. 278^b contains a note, which tells us of the reading of the second part of the work in the presence of Tâjaddîn al-Kindî at the grand mosque of Damascus at four sittings, the last of which was held on Wednesday, the 2nd Muḥarram, A.H. 590=A.D. 1194.

Another note, on the same folio, dated the 'Azîzîyah Madrasah, Damascus, Sunday, the 27th Du'l-Qa'dah, A.H. 606=A.D. 1210, repeats, for the most part, the contents of that found on fol. 145. The following concluding words of this note are in Tâjaddîn al-Kindî's own hand:—

عاد القاري لولدي ابى الفضل الكحال ابي عبد الله و ابى الفرح ما فاتهما من هذا الجزء فصح لهما سماع جميعة و كتب ابو اليمن بخطة ،

Fol 281, which is the last folio of the seventh part of the work, contains two notes. The first tells us of the reading of this seventh part, in the presence of Tâjaddîn al-Kindî, at the grand mosque of Damascus at three sittings, the last of which was held on Wednesday, the 7th Rabî' I, A.H. 590=A.D. 1194. It also states that Tâjaddîn al-Kindî was authorised to teach the book by Imâm Abû Muḥammad 'Abdallâh bin 'Alî bin Aḥmad an-Naḥwî in A.H. 540=A.D. 1146. The second note tells us of the reading of the seventh part, again in the presence of Tâjaddîn al-Kindî, at the 'Azîzîyah Madrasah, Damascus, at two sittings, the last of which was held on Sunday, the 17th Muḥarram, A.H. 607=A.D. 1210.

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in old Arabian Naskh, with occasional vowel-points. Fol. 280 should follow fol. 273.

The date of the copy is not given; but it must certainly be earlier than the date of the first note, viz., A.H. 582=A.D. 1186.

Slightly worm-eaten and water-stained.

Foll. 66°, 143°, 144°, 230°, 254°, and 273° contain seals of Ilyâs bin Muḥammad bin 'Alî al-'Arabî, a distinguished Qurân-reader of Damascus. According to Ad-Dahabî, Ṭabaqât al-Qurrâ', fol. 142°, he died in A.H. 626=A.D. 1229.

No. 1212.

foll. 149; lines and size same as above.

The Same.

The tenth part of the work noticed above.

Beginning:-

قرأ نافع و حفص عن عاصم أنّ لكما - خفض منون - ابن كثير و ابن عاصر و الكسامي أنّ لكما - خفض غير منون - قال ابو علي من نوّن فقال أنّ جعله فكرة مثل غاق و صه و نحو ذلك من الاصوات و هذا التنوين في الصوت دليل التنكير و من لم ينون جعله معرفة كانه في المعنى الصوت الذي يعرّف النع *

Incomplete at the end. It breaks off abruptly thus:—

* المجريين في حذف هذه الذون انها لغة الخطفان *

Uniform with the preceding, and written by the same hand. The seals of Ilyâs bin Muḥammad bin 'Alî al-'Arabî are found on foll. 1^b, 2^a, 83^a, and 148^b.

Slightly worm-eaten and water-stained.

The title-page bears the signature of Tâjaddîn Zaid bin Ḥasan al-Kindî, for some account of whom see No. 1211 above.

No. 1213.

foll. 202; lines 25; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6$; $8 \times 4\frac{3}{4}$.

المحتسب في الشواف AL-MUHTASIB FÎ SHARH ASH-SHAWÂDD.

A rare copy of a work, treating of the disputed readings of the Qurân, based on the Kitab ash-Shawadd of Abû Bakr Aḥmad bin Mûsâ, better known as Ibn Mûjâhid (d. A.H. 324=A.D. 936).

Author: Abu'l-Fath 'Uşmân bin Jinnî al-Mawsilî an-Nahwî ابو الفتح عثمان بن جني الموصلي الفحوي

Beginning:-

اللهم انا نحمدك اقصى مدى الحامدين و نعترف بآلائك كما الوجبت على المطيعين من عبادك المعترفين النج *

The author, a grammarian and philologist of eminent talent, whose father was a Greek slave belonging to Sulaimân bin Fahd bin Ahmad al-Azdî, was born at Mawsil some time before A.H. 330 = A.D. 941. He was an assiduous disciple of Abû 'Alî al-Fârisî (d. A.H. 377=A.D. 987), to whom he attached himself for a period of about After the death of Al-Fârisî, he succeeded him as the forty years. chief philologist in Bagdad, and wrote, besides the present work, a large number of instructive books on the science of grammar, among which Al-Khasa'is, Sirr as-Sana'ah, Kitab al-Lam' and Sharh Tasrît al-Mâzinî are much admired. His works are remarkable for the way in which he has applied scientific principles to the study of grammar. His treatise on the principles of inflection has been translated into Latin, and was published by G. Hoberg, Leipzig, 1885. Our author also wrote a commentary on the Dîwân of Al-Mutanabbî (d. A.H. 354 = A.D. 965), which work he studied under the personal direction of the author. This commentary was the first of its kind, and became the chief source for later commentaries. died at Bagdad on Friday, the 27th Safar, A.H. 392=A.D. 1002. Ibn Abi'd-Dam (At-Ta'rîkh al-Islâmî, fol. 143a), however, places his death in A.H. 386=A.D. 996. For the author's life and a complete list of his works see Nâmah-i-Dânishwarân, vol. i, p. 171. Nuzhat al-Alibbâ', fol. 151b; Yâqût, vol. v, p. 15; Ibn Khallikân (De Slane's translation, vol. ii, p. 191); Dustûr al-I'lâm, fol. 33a; Mir'ât al-Janân, fol. 237^b; Bugyat al-Wu'ât, fol. 257^b; Tâj aṭ-Ṭabaqât, vol. iv, part ii, fol. 304^a; and Brock., vol. i, p. 125.

In the preface, the author makes mention of the Kitâb al-Hujjah of Abû 'Alî al-Fârisî (No. 1211 above) and of the Kitâb ash-Shawâdd of Ibn al-Mujâhid. The former, he says, exceeded the limits necessary for dealing with the subject. On the latter he depends for both matter and method. He also mentions as his authorities the names of the following two masters of the subject, with Isnâd (i.e., the names of the intermediate teachers through whom their teaching was derived):—

- 1. Abû Hâtim Sahl bin Muḥammad bin 'Uşmân as-Sajistânî (d. A.H. 250=A.D. 864).
- 2. Abû 'Alî Muhammad bin Ahmad al-Mustanîr Qutrub (d. а.н. 206=a.d. 821).

The following, quoted from the preface, will give a fair idea of the subject-matter and of how it is dealt with in the present work:—

و انا باذن الله بادي بكتاب اذكر فيه احوال ما شد عن السبعة و قائل في معنالا مما يريه الله عز اسمه و ابالا استعين و هو كافي و نعم الوكيل اعلم الله جميع ماشد عن قراءة القراء السبعة و شهرتهم مغنية عن تسميتهم ضوبان ضرب شد عن القراءة بحاريا من الصنعة ليس فيه الا ما يتناوله الظاهر فما هذلا سبيله فلا وجه للتشاغل به و ذلك ان كتابنا هذا ليس موضوعا على جمع كافة القراآت الشافة عن قراءة السبعة و انما الغرض فيه ابانة ما لطفت صنعته واغربت طريقته و ضرب ثان و هو هذا الذي نحى على سمته اعني ما شد عن السبعة و غمض عن ظاهر الصنعة و هو المعتمد المقول عليه المولى جهة الاشتغال به و نحن نورد ذلك على ما روينالا ثم على ما صعائدنا من طريق رواية غيرنا له لا نألوا فيه وجهة ما تقتضيه حال مثله من عندنا من طريق رواية غيرنا له لا نألوا فيه وجهة ما تقتضيه حال مثله من اليب بكر احمد بن موسئ بن مجاهد رحمه الله تعالى الذي وضعه لذكر المواد من القراءة اذ كان موسوما به مَحَدُنُو الارجاء عليه و اذ هو اثبت الشواذ من النفس من كثير من الشواذ المحكية عمن ليست له روايته ولا توفيقه ولا هذا النفس من كثير من الشواذ المحكية عمن ليست له روايته ولا توفيقه ولا هي النفس من كثير من الشواذ المحكية عمن ليست له روايته ولا توفيقه ولا هو الله فاما ما روينالا في ذلك فكتاب الي حاتم سهل بن محمد بن

عثمان السجستاني و روينا ايضا في كتاب ابي علي محمد بي المستنير قطرب رحمه الله من هذه الشواذ صدرا كبيرا غير ان كتاب ابي حاتم اجمع من كتاب قطرب *

The work is arranged according to Sûrahs of the Qurân.

Hâj Khal., vol. v, p. 105, describes the present work as a commentary on the Kitâb ash-Shawâdd of Abû Bakr Ahmad bin Mûsâ bin al-Mujâhid; but it is evidently an original work. The title given on fol. 1° أَوَّ الشُواذُ and by the word كتاب المتعتسب في شرح الشواذُ and by the word is understood an exposition, not a commentary. In Bugyat al-Wu'ât (loc. cit.), however, the work is entitled كتاب المعتسب في اعراب الشواذُ

Only two other copies of the work are known, one in the Library of Kuprîlîzâdah, No. 29, and the other in the Library of Râgib Pâşhâ. No. 13.

Two short notes are given at the end, reproducing the author's autograph notes on his own copy. The first begins thus ومما وجد بغط ملى ظهر الجلد من كتابه, and the second begins with the word وبخطه. This shows that the present MS. was transcribed from a copy, which had been in the author's hands.

Written in ordinary Arabian Naskh.

Dated the 18th Jumâdâ II, A.H. 1068=A.D. 1657.

. تاج الدين محمد الحنفي : Scribe

A flyleaf at the end contains a note, explaining the meaning of some Arabic idioms.

No. 1214.

foll. 670; lines 21; size $10\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{3}{4}$; 8×4 .

جامع البيان في القراآت السبع JÂMI'AL-BAYÂN FI'L-QIRÂ'ÂT AS-SAB'.

A rare and comprehensive work on the various readings of the seven canonical Qurân-readers, by Abû 'Amr 'Uşmân bin Sa'îd ad- ** Dânî al-Qurţubî ابو عموو عثمان بن سعيد الداني القرطبي.

Beginning:

حدثني الفقيه المقرى ابو داوًد قال حدثني شيخنا ابو عمرو عثمان.بن سعيد بن عمرو الفقيه المقرى اللغوي الاموى

خراءة مني عليه في منزله بمدينة دانية من كتابي و هو يمسك اصله في ربيع الآخر سنة اربعين و اربعمائة قلت له قلتم رضي الله عنكم الحمد لله جاري الانام بحكمته و فاطر السموات و الارض بقدرته الاول بلا عديل و الآخر بلا مثيل النو ...

The author, a great Qârî of Spain, was born at Dâniyah in A.H. 371=A.D. 981. From A.H. 386=A.D. 996 he applied himself to his studies. In A.H. 397=A.D. 1006 he journeyed to the east, made the Hajj pilgrimage, and spent four months at Qairawân and a year in Cairo. On his return to Spain, in Du'l-Qa'dah, A.H. 399=A.D. 1008, he settled in his native town, where he died in Shawwâl, A.H. 444=A.D. 1053. He acquired much traditional learning from the lips of Ibn Galbûn (d. A.H. 389=A.D. 998) and other great masters. The number of works composed by him, as stated by Ad-Dahabî, Tabaqât al-Qurrâ', fol. 91a, amounted to one hundred and twenty. Brock., vol. i, p. 407, enumerates nine compositions of his, all of them on the various readings and correct pronunciation of the Qurân. For his life see Mir'ât al-Janân, fol. 256a; Dustûr al-I'lâm, fol. 47b; Dahabî's Tabaqât al-Qurrâ', fol. 91a; Tadkirat al-Huffâz, vol. iii, p. 16; Yâqût, vol. v, p. 35; Nafh at-Tîb, vol. i, p. 386.

The work is divided into thirty $B\hat{a}b$ as follows:—

- باب ذكر الخبر الوارد عن النبي صلى الله عليه ... I. Fol. 5°.
 و سلم بان القرآن انزل على سبعة احرف و بيان
 ما ينطوي عليه من المعاني و يشتمل عليه من
 الوجو**
- باب ذكر الاخبار الواردة بالحض على اتباع الائمة من القراءة و التمسك بما اداة ائمة القراءة عنهم *
- باب ذكر اسماء اثمة القراءة و الناقلين عنهم و انسابهم و مواطنهم و وفاتهم و نكت من مناقبهم و اخبارهم *
 - باب ذكر تسمية. ائمة القراآت الذين نقلو علهم . IV. Fol. 414 القراءة و ادوها اليهم عن رسول الله صلى الله عليه و سلم *

- باب ذكر الأسانيد التي نقلت الينا القراءة عن ائمة . V. Fol. 61b. القراءة رواية وادت الينا الحروف عنهم تلاوة *
- باب ذكر مذاهبهم في التسمية و الفصل بها بين . VI. Fol. 100b. السورتين *
- باب ذكر قولهم في ضم ميم الجمع و في اسكانها ... VII. Fol. 108*.
- باب ذكر مذهب ابى عمرو فى الادعام . . VIII. Fol. 114°
 - باب ذكر مذاهبهم في زيادة التبكين لعرف . TX. Fol. 128^b. المد و اللين اذا التقين بالهموات في المتصل

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- باب ذكر مذاهبهم في الهمرتين المتلاصقتين في في الهمرتين المتلاصقتين في الهمرتين *
- باب ذكر مذاهبهم في الهمرة المفردة * XII. Fol. 165*.
- باب ذكر بيان مَذهب ورش عن نافع في تسهيل . KIII. Fol. 165b. الهمورة الساكلة و المتحركة *
- باب ذكر بيان مذهب الاعشى عن عاصم في تسهيل . Tol. 170^b. الهمونة *
- باب ذكر مذهب ابي عمرو في ترك الهمونة الساكنة . «XV. Fol. 172°. دون المتحركة *
- باب ذكر بيان مذهب هشام عن ابن عامر و حمرة . Fol. 174^a. في الوقف على الهمزة المتطرفة *
- باب ذكر بيان مذهب حمرة في تسهيل الهمرة ، XVII. Fol. 180⁶. المترسطة *
- باب ذكر مذهبهم في القاء حركة الهمرة على الساكن. بالكات XVIII. Fol. 1926. قبلها و في تحقيقها *

باب ذكر مذاهبهم في الاظهار و الادعام للحروف . XX. Fol. 198^b السواكن *

باب ذكر احوال النون الساكنة و التنوين و مذاهبهم . Tol. 214^a. في بيان الغنة و ادغامها *

باب ذكر مذاهبهم في الفتي و الامالة باب ذكر مذاهبهم في الفتي و الامالة

باب ذكر مذاهبهم في الوقف علي الممال في . XXIII. Fol. 254^a. الوصل *

باب ذكر مذهب الكسائى والأعشى عن ابي بكر . Tol. 260°. عن عاصم في امالة هاء التانيث و ما قبلها عند الوقف *

باب ذكر مذهب ورش عن نافع في امالة الراء . «XXV. Fol. 264 المالة الراء يسيرا و في اخلاص فتحها *

باب ذكر اللامات و مذهب ورش وغيرة من الرواة . XXVI. Fol. 272b. عن المة القراءة في توقيقهن و تغليظهن *

باب ذكر مذاهبهم في الوقف على مرسوم الغط . Fol. 277°. XXVII. Fol. 277°.

باب ذكر مذاهبهم فى الوقف على الحركات اللَّهِ . • XXVIII Fol. 291 . فى اواخر الكلم و معنى الروم و الاشمام *

باب ذكر الحروف المتفرقة و اختلافهم فيها * * XXIX. Fol. 2966.

باب ذكر التكبير في قراءة ابن كثير و ذكر الاخبار . *Fol. 663. الواردة عن المكيين في ذلك *

For other copies see Cairo, vol. i, p. 94; and Nûr 'Uşmânîyah, No. 62. See also Hâj Khal., vol. ii, p. 507; and Brock, vol. i, p. 407.

Written in fair small Naskh, with the headings in red. Dated the 18th Sha'ban, A.H. 1295=A.D. 1878.

. مصطفى ابراهيم خادم الاستباذ الخلوتي : Scribe

No. 1215.

foll. 153; lines 15; size $6\frac{3}{4} \times 5$; $5 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

(Two separate works bound together.)

foll. 1-44.

I.

كتاب التهذيب

KITÂB AT-TAHDÎB.

A work dealing with only those principles of Qirâ'at, which are peculiar to each of the seven great Qurân-readers.

By the same Ad-Dânî.

Beginning:-

تال ابو عمرو عثمان بن سعيد المقرئ رضي الله عنه التحمد لله الذي الله عنه الحمد لله الذي هدانا لدينه المرتضى و عرفنا بمحمد نبيه المصطفى النج

The plan and arrangement of the work is set forth in the preface thus:—

فان نيتي توبت في تصنيف ما تفرد به كل واحد من القراء السبعة رحمهم الله من الاظهار و الادغام و الهمز و تركه و نقل الحركة و الامالة و بين اللفظين و من فرش الحورف من اوله الى آخره حتى آتي على جميع ما تفرد به كل واحد منهم من ذلك و من غيره مما لم يوافقه عليه احد من القراء فاذكر اولا ما تفرد به كل واحد منهم في الروايتين المشهورتين عنه ثم اتبع ذلك ما تفرد به في هذه الرواية من جميع ما تقدم ذكره و الخص ذلك و اهدبه فادل على جليه و خفيه لكى يعم نفعه و تكثر فائدته ان شاء ذلك و جل *

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	و المتقاربين *
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باب ذكر ما تفرد به الكسام في روانة ابي عمرو الدوري . Fol. 43%. من اول القرآن الي آخوه *

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The only other copy of the work, so far as is known, is in the Ayâ Şûfiyah Library, No. 39.

foll. 45-153.

II.

كتاب التيسير في القراآت السبع

KITÂB AT-TAISÎR FI'L-QIRÂ'ÂT AS-SAB'.

The well-known treatise on the various readings of the seven canonical Qurân-readers, by the same Ad-Dânî.

Beginning:-

We are told, in the preface, that the work was composed at the request of certain persons (probably, the author's pupils), its object being to supply a book which should be easy to study, and which should contain a brief and well-written exposition of the seven canonical readings of the Qurân. The author states that he proposes to give two versions of each reading.

The work begins with a chapter, containing short biographical notices of the chief Qurân-readers and their eminent followers.

For other copies see Berlin, Nos. 579—89; Br. Mus. Suppl., No. 84; Gotha, No. 350; India Office, No. 41; Ayâ Şûfiyah, No 35; Kûprîlîzâdah, No. 14; Cairo, vol. i, pp. 34, 40, 43; Bodleian, vol. ii, p. 87; Brill's Catalogue, 1886, No. 319; Râmpûr, p. 46; Âṣafîyah, p. 296; and Bûhâr, No. 1.

The work has been lithographed at Delhi, A.H. 1328.

The MS. was transcribed by Muhammad bin 'Abdalmuhaimin for his own use.

Written in old Arabian Naskh, with some marginal notes. The headings are in red.

Dated A.H. 726=A D. 1326.

The last folio contains four notes by a certain Mûsâ bin Muḥammad al-Qurashî, recording the dates of the birth of his daughter and of three sons. Another note on the same folio, dated Wednesday, the 6th Rabî' II, A.H. 785=A.D. 1383, records the date of the birth of one Sayyid 'Abdallâh bin Ma'mûn ad-Damanhûrî.

The MS. was presented to the library by Dr. Asdar 'Alî Khân of Patna in 1897.

No. 1216.

foll. 167; lines 11; size $10\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $7 \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

Another copy of the second work, included in No. 1215 above.

Beginning:-

Both on the title-page and in the colophon is given the name of Sultân al-Malik az-Zâhir Muḥammad Abû Sa'îd Jaqmaq (a.H. 842—857=A.D. 1438—1453), for whom the MS. was transcribed by Ahmad bin Ḥusain bin 'Alî al-Mundirî at the Madrasah Al-Manşûrîyah (founded by Sultân al-Malik al-Manşûr Qalâ'ûn of Egypt; see Ḥusn al-Muḥâdarah, fol. 189a). The colophon runs thus:—

كتب هذا التيسير المبارك لجمع الروايات السبعة برسم المقام الشريف العالى السلطان الاعظم المالك الملك الظاهر محمد ابي سعيد جقمق اعز الله انصارة بمحمد و آلة من كتابة الفقير الى الله تعالى احمد بن حسين بن علي المنذري الامام بالمدرسة المنصورية غفر الله له و لوالدية و للمسلمين اجمعين في شهر صفر سنة خمس و اربعين و ثمان مائة *

Written in good, neat, and vocalised Naskh. The headings are mostly in gold, but in some cases in blue or red. The title-page is richly illuminated.

Dated A.H. 845=A.D. 1441.

No. 1217.

foll. 103; lines 15: size $10\frac{3}{4} \times 7$; $7\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

Another copy of the same work, with some marginal notes extracted from the *Tahbîr at-Taisîr* of Al-Jazarî (No. 1220 below).

Beginning:-

قرأت على ابي داؤد سليمان بن نجاح الاموي الحمد لله المتفود بالدوام و المتطول بالانعام النر *

The MS., dated Damascus, the 9th Rajab, A.H. 864=A.D. 1460, was transcribed by Muhammad bin Muhammad bin 'Alî al-Ḥalabî al-Ḥalabî, probably identical with the commentator on Al-Kâṣḥġarî's Munyat al-Muṣallî (see Paris, Nos. 147—8), who died in A.H. 879=A.D. 1474.

In a note at the end of the work (fol. 99a), we are told that the present MS. was collated with the copy read in the presence of شهاد [?] بن الجزامي. The date of this note has been partly cut off in the binding; but it is probably the 7th Shawwâl, A.H. 865=A.D. 1461. The words ومد في حياته show that الجرامي was alive then. Another note, below the above, runs thus:—

بلغ مقابلة بحسب الطاقة و الامكان على نسخة التحبير للعلامة ابن الجزري فصح بحمد الله و الحمد لله وحدة بتأريخ ثاني عشري ربيع الآخر من شهور سنة احدى و ثلاثين و تسعمائة على يد مالكة احمد بن احمد الطيبى المقرى الشافعى *

According to this, the marginal notes in the present MS. were compared by Ahmad bin Ahmad at-Tîbî (d. A.H. 979=A.D. 1571; see Brock., vol. ii, p. 320) with a copy of the *Tahbîr at-Taisîr* of Al-Jazarî on the 22nd Rabî II, A.H. 931=A.D. 1525.

The last four foll. contain, among miscellaneous notes and extracts, a poem by Abu'l-Khair Shamsaddîn Muhammad bin Muhammad al-Jazarî (d. A.H. 833=A.D. 1429).

Beginning:-

سألتكم يا مقرع الارض كلها حروفا اتت في الدكو للسبعة الملا VOL. XVIII.

This is followed by a short piece, containing altogether six verses, by Aṣ-Ṣarṣarî, evidently Abû Zakarîyâ Yaḥyâ bin Yûsuf al-Anṣârî aṣ-Ṣarṣarî (d. A.H. 656=A.D. 1258; see Mir'ât al-Janân, fol. 415°).

* Beginning :-

Written in fair Naskh, with the headings in red. Dated A.H. 864=A.D. 1460.

The title-page contains notes by several former owners of the MS., two of which are of great importance, viz., one by Ahmad bin Ahmad bin Badr aṭ-Tîbî (d. A.H. 979=A.D. 1571), the author of the poem, entitled جواز تقليد الشافعي على مذهب الامام ابي حنيفة, and the other by 'Abdallatîf bin 'Abdal-Mun'im, commonly called Ibn al-Jâbî ash-Shâfi'î al-Muqrî, a scholar of some reputation, who held the post of Qâdî at Damascus, and died on Saturday, the 2nd Sha'bân, A.H. 1026=A.D. 1617. See Khulâṣat al-Aṣar, vol. iii, p. 17.

No. 1218.

foll. 157; lines 13; size $10\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $7\frac{1}{2} \times 4$.

The Same.

Another copy of the same work.

Beginning:

قرأت على ابي دارًد المقرى سليمًى بن نجاح الاموي الحمد لله المتفرد بالدوام و المتطول بالانعام خالق الخلق بقدرته و مدبر لامر بحكمته النع *

Foll. 25, 72—73, 80—88, 95—100, 141—151 and 155—157 have been added in a later hand. According to a Persian note at the end, they were supplied by 'Inâyatallâh bin Muḥammad Faḍlallâh al-'Uṣmânî al-Muḥammadî aṣh-Shâfi'î, in the grand mosque of Delhi, at the instance of Mîrzâ Ṣaff-Shikan Khân.

Written in fair Naskh, within red and blue ruled borders; with an illuminated frontispiece.

Not dated; probably 16th century.

The title-page contains a seal bearing the name of the above-mentioned Mîrzâ Ṣaff-Shikan Khân, dated A. H. 1250=A.D. 1834.

No. 1219.

foll. 127; lines 16; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3$.

The Same.

Another copy of the same work, beginning as the above.

Written in fair Naskh, with the headings in red, within gold and black ruled borders.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

The last nine foll., which are written in a later hand, contain the following four tracts:—

I. A tract on the orthography of the Qurân, divided into 14 chapters, or Fasl.

Beginning:-

II. A tract on the orthography of Sûrat al-Fâtihah, i.e., the first chapter of the Qurân.

Beginning:—

III. A tract dealing with the places in the Qurân, where Waqf (a full-stop) is not permissible.

Beginning:-

IV. A tract on the difference between النون الساكنة and الغنوس Beginning:—

Two flyleaves, at the beginning, contain a key in tabular form, explaining the abbreviations used by Ash-Shâṭibî (d. A.H. 590 = A.D. 1194) in his versified work, entitled المنظومة الشاطبية.

No. 1220.

foll. 64; lines 25; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 6$; 6×4 .

تجبير التيسير TAḤBÎR AT-TAISÎR.

A commentary on the preceding work, by Shamsaddîn Abu'l-Khair Muḥammad Ibn al-Jazarî شمس الدين ابو الخير محمد ابن الجرزي (d. A.H. 833=A.D. 1429; see Lib. Cat., vol. xv. No. 1015, ii.)

Beginning:-

قال الشيخ الفاضل العلامة شمس الملة و الدين أبو الخير محمد بن محمد بن الجزري الشافعي أبد الله ظلال افادته على كافة المسلمين و كثر امثاله بين الخلائق اجمعين الحمد لله على تحبير التيسير و اشهد أن لا اله الا الله وحدة لا شريك له الحكم العدل السميع البصير النو *

The author tells us, in the preface, that the Kitâb at-Taistr of Ad-Dânî and its versified version by Ash-Shâṭibî created a general belief that the seven readings of the Qurân, dealt with in these two works, are the only authentic and correct readings. This belief; the author says, he refuted in a previous work, entitled Tayyibat an-Nashr (see No. 1246 below), and established three other readings, other than the canonical, as equally authentic in their origin. In the present work he confines himself to a commentary on the Kitâb at-Taisîr, incorporating with it the three additional readings.

The preface is followed by a short biographical account of the author of At-Taisir, to whom our author traces his Isnad (chain of successive teachers).

For other copies see Berlin, No. 590; Cairo, vol. i, p. 92; Râmpûr, p. 46; and Nûr 'Uşmânîyah, No. 60. See also Brock. vol. ii, p. 201; and Hâj. Khal., vol. ii, p. 488.

Written in small Arabian Naskh, with the headings in red. Not dated; probably 18th century.

· No. 1221.

foll. 94; lines 5-14; size $10\frac{3}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; 6×4 .

حرز الاماني و وجه التهاني HIRZ AL-AMÂNÎ WA WAJH AT-TAHÂNÎ.

A versified version of Ad-Dânî's Kitâb at-Taisîr, by Abû Muḥammad al-Qâsim bin Firruh bin Abi'l-Qâsim Khalaf bin Aḥmad ar-Ru'ainî ash-Shâţibî مبعهد القاسم بن فيرة بن ابى القاسم خلف بن احمد القاسم بن فيرة بن ابى الشاطبى.

Beginning:-

The author, who belonged by race to Dû Ru'ain (a tribe of Yemen), was born at Shâtibah (a large city in the east of Spain) towards the end of A H. 538=A.D. 1144. He was a great master of the Qurân and tradition, and stood unrivalled in grammar and philology. For some time he held the post of Khatîb in his native town. In A.H. 572=A.D. 1176 he came to Cairo, where he was appointed a professor in the Madrasah Al-Fâdilîyah. He settled there permanently, and died on Sunday, the 28th Jumâdâ II, A.H. 590 = A.D. 1194. See Ibn Khallikân (De Slane's translation, vol. ii, p. 499); Husn al-Muḥâdarah, fol. 148b; Tabaqât al-Qurrâ' by Ad-Dahabî, fol. 131b; Dustûr al-I'lâm, fol. 71a; Mir'ât al-Janân, fol. 365a; Bugyat al-Wu'ât, fol. 305b; Tâj at-Tabaqât, vol. vi, part ii, fol. 259a; Nakt al-Himyân, fol. 69a; Yâqût, vol. vi, p. 184; and Brock., vol. i, p. 409.

The poem, which is generally known as Ash-Shâtibîyah, consists of 1173 verses, and is the main authority on which the subsequent Qurân-readers rely. The author is reported to have said "No one will read this poem of mine without Almighty God's permitting him to derive profit from it; for I composed it purely and simply with the view of serving Him".

For other copies, see Br. Mus. Suppl., No. 87; Berlin, No. 594; India Office, No. 43; München, No. 101; Gotha, No. 551; Paris, No. 609; Brill, No. 321; Cairo, vol. i, p. 35; Waliaddîn, No. 31; Ayâ Şûfiyah, No. 37; Hamîdîyah, No. 20; Nûr Uşmânîyah, No. 87; Râmpûr, p. 47; Âsafîyah, p. 296. For commentaries, see Brock., vol. i, p. 409; and Hâj. Khal., vol.iii, p. 43.

The poem was lithographed in Cairo, A.H. 1308.

Written in fair Nasta'lîq, with interlinear and marginal notes.

Dated Wednesday, the 9th Du'l-Hijjah, A.H. 1115=A.D. 1704.

.محمد الشبلي شفيعي : Scribe

The title-page contains the seals and signatures of former owners of the MS.

No. 1222.

foll. 35; lines 19; size $7 \times 4\frac{3}{4}$; 5×3 .

The Same.

Another copy of the preceding poem, with the following title:

هذه القصيدة الملقبة بحرز الامانى و وجه التهاني نظم الشيخ الامام
المقرى ابى القاسم ابن فيرة بن خلف بن احمد الرعيني الشاطبي
رضى الله عنه *

Written in fair Naskh, with occasional vowel-points, within double red-ruled borders.

Dated Monday, the 20th Sha'ban, A.H. 1133=A.D. 1721.

No. 1223.

foll. 96; lines 13; size $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4$; $5 \times 2\frac{3}{4}$.

The Same.

Another copy of the same poem, with the following title:—

هذا متى الشاطبية في القراآت السبع تأليف الامام العالم العلامة
الشيخ الشاطبي غفر الله له ولوالديه *

Written in fair Naskh, with occasional vowel-points, within redruled borders. Slightly water-stained.

Dated A.H. 1176=A.D. 1763.

No. 1224.

foll. 139; lines 18; size 10×6 ; $8 \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

شرح الشاطبيه

SHARḤ ASH-SHÂŢIBÎYAH.

A commentary on the preceding poem, by 'Alamaddîn Abu'l-Ḥasan 'Alî bin Muḥammad bin 'Abdaṣṣamad al-Hamdânî as-Sakhâwî علم الدبن ابو الحسن على بن محمد بن عبد الصهد الهداني السخاوي.

Beginning:-

احمد لله رب العالمين و صلواته على سيدنا صحمد خاتم إلغبيين و الموسلين و على آله و صحبه اجمعين - فال الشيخ الفقيه الامام المقرئ الحافظ ابو القاسم الشاظبي رحمه الله النع *

The author, As-Sakhâwî, was born at Sakhâ (a village in Egypt) in A.H. 558=A.D. 1163. He studied at Cairo under Abû Muḥammad Qâsim ash-Shâtîbî (d. A.H. 590=A.D. 1194), and acquired under his tuition a sound knowledge of the various readings of the Qurân, grammar and philology. After completing his education at Alexandria, he proceeded to Damascus, where he was held in great esteem for his profound learning and courtesy. He wrote, besides the present work and those mentioned in Brock., vol. i, p. 410, a commentary on Al-Mufassal of Az-Zamakhsharî (d. A.H. 538=A.D. 1143) and a commentary on the Qurân up to Sûrah الكهف. He died at Damascus on the 12th Jumâda II, A.H. 643=A.D. 1245. See Dahabî's Țabaqât al-Qurrâ', fol. 148b; Ibn Khallikân (De Slane's translation, vol. ii, p. 281); Mir'ât al-Janân, fol. 405a; Tabaqât by Ibn al-Mulaggin, 57a; Tabagât by Al-Isnawî, fol. 127b; Tabagât by Ibn Qâdî Shuhbah, fol. 81b; Tabaqât al-Kubrâ by As-Subkî, vol. vi, fol. 244b; Dustûr al-I'lâm, fol. 62b; Tâj at-Tabaqât, vol. vii, part i, fol. 175; Bugyat al-Wu'ât, fol. 284; Tabaqât al-Mufassirîn by Ad-Dâ'ûdî, fol. 70^b; and Brock., vol. i, p. 410.

The present commentary only explains the verbal difficulties of the poem of Ash-Shâṭibî. In Ḥâj. Khal., vol. iii, p. 44, it is entitled الفتيم الوسيط في شرح بالقصيدة; but the title-page of the present MS. reads:

For other copies see Paris, No. 611; München, No. 102; Cairo, vol. i, p. 104; Nûr 'Uşmânîyah, No. 74; and Âşafîyah, p. 300.

The present copy contains the following two appendices:-

I. عمدة المغيد وعدة المجيد, a poem of sixty verses on the correct pronunciation of the Qurân, by the same As-Sakhâwî, fol. 137b.

Beginning:-

For other copies see Berlin, No. 497; and Alger, No. 561, vi. See also Ḥâj. Khal., vol. iv, p. 266.

II. A poem of twenty-two verses, by Abu'l-Hasan 'Alî bin Muhammad al-Khazrajî (see Berlin, No. 3432), fol. 139a.

Beginning:-

In this poem, the order of the revelation of Sûrahs of the Qurân is set forth.

The MS. was transcribed by 'Abdalqâdir bin 'Abdannûr bin Ahmad bin 'Umar al-Yazîdî for a certain Shamsaddîn 'Alî' bin Ibrâhîm al-Bajalî.

Written in Arabian Naskh, with occasional vowel-points. Slightly worm-eaten and water-stained. Dated Tuesday, the 17th Rabî I, A.H. 929=A.D. 1523.

The correct order of the folios should be: 1-51, 57, 55-56, 53-54, 52, 58-99, 106-109, 104-105, 100-103 and 110-139.

No. 1225.

foll. 224; lines 21; size $8 \times 5\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

كنز المعاني في شرح حرز الاماني

KANZ AL-MA'ÂNÎ FÎ SHARḤ ḤIRZ AL-AMÂNÎ.

A commentary on the same poem of Ash-Shâtibî, by Shamsaddîn Abû 'Abdallâh Muḥammad bin Aḥmad bin Aḥmad bin al-Ḥusain al-Mawṣilî, better known as Shu'lah al-Ḥanbalî شمس الدين الدين احمد بن احمد بن الحمدين الموصلي المعروف بشعلة الحنبلي.

Beginning:

التصمد لله الذي انزل القرآن على سبعة احرف كلها شاف وافي سبعة المعلوم عرائسها وافي سبعة المعلوم عرائسها النفائس لا تغلى مهورها النم *

The author was born at Mawsil in A.H. 623=A.D. 1226. He studied under Abu'l-Ḥasan 'Alî bin 'Abdal'azîz al-Anmâțî al-Irbilî (who was born in A.H. 610=A.D. 1213, and was alive up to A.H. 676=A.D. 1278; see Ḥabaqât al-Qurrâ' by Ad-Dahabî, fol. 168b). Our author soon acquired a great knowledge of the various readings of the Qurân, grammar and law. He wrote several works, and died at Mawsil on the 25th Ṣafar, A.H. 656=A.D. 1258, or, according to another version, in Baġdâd, A.H. 650=A.D. 1252. For further particulars of his life and works see Ḥabaqât al-Ḥanâbilah by Ibn Rajab al-Ḥanbalî, vol. ii, fol. 76a; Ḥabaqât al-Qurrâ' by Ad-Dahabî, fol. 160a; Dustûr al-I'lâm, fol. 73a; Tâj at-Jabaqât, vol. vii, part i, fol. 221a; and Mir'ât al-Janân, fol. 415a.

In the present commentary, the comments on each verse are divided into three parts. In the first, to which the letter ψ is prefixed, lexicographical difficulties are solved; in the second, which is separated from the first by the letter ξ , grammatical difficulties are explained; and in the third, distinguished by the letter ψ , the meaning of the verse is explained. The letters ψ , ξ and ψ are written in red ink.

For other copies see Berlin, No. 604; Cairo, vol. i, p. 104; Ayâ • Şûfiyah, No. 46; Râmpûr, p. 53; and Âşafîyah, p. 302. See also Hâj. Khal., vol. iii, p. 44.

The work was printed in A.H. 1288.

Written in small and fair Naskh, with quotations from the text in large characters.

Dated the 27th Muharram, A.H. 1046=A.D. 1636.

معمود بن الحاجي مصطفى الادرنوي: Seribe

No. 1226.

foll. 346; lines 15-16; size $9 \times 5\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

Another copy of the same work, beginning as the above.

Written in different hands, both Naskh and Nasta'liq. Seriously worm-eaten.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1227.

foll. 232; lines 24; size 11×6 ; $7\frac{3}{4} \times 4$.

اللآلي الفريدة في شرح القصيدة AL-LA'ÂLÎ AL-FARÎDAH FÎ SHARḤ AL-QAŞÎDAH.

A commentary on the same poem of Ash-Shâṭibî, by Jamâladdîn Abû 'Abdallâh Muḥammad bin al-Ḥasan bin Muḥammad bin Yûsuf al-Fâsî al-Magribî al-Ḥanafî al-Muqrî جمال الدين ابو عبد الله محمد بن ترسف الفاسي المغربي العنفي المقرى.

Complete in two separate volumes.

Vol. I.

Beginning: -

The author, who belonged to the Ḥanafî school, was born at Fâs some time after A.H. 580 = A.D. 1185. At an early age, he came to Ḥalab, where he was educated under several eminent scholars. He also studied in Cairo under two distinguished disciples of Ash-Shâṭibî, viz., Abû Mûsâ 'Isâ bin Yûsuf bin Ismâ'îl al-Maqdisî and 'Abdarraḥmân bin Sa'îd ash-Shâfi'î. Our author was the foremost Qurân-reader of Ḥalab in his time. He died at Ḥalab in A.H. 656=A.D. 1258. See Ṭabaqât al-Qurrâ' by Ad-Dahabî, fol. 158b; Al-Jawâ-

hir al-Mudîyah, vol. ii, fol. 9^b; Dustûr al-I'lâm, fol. 102^b; Mir'ât al-Janân, fol. 415^a; and Tâj at-Tabaqât vol. vii, part i, fol. 234^a.

For other copies see Ayâ Sûfîyah, No. 49; Nûr 'Uşmânîyah, No. 75; and Âşafîyah, p. 300. See also Haj. Khal., vol. iii, p. 44. There it is stated that the work was completed in A.H. 672=A.D. 1274, but this is obviously wrong.

Written in small and fair Naskh. Slightly worm-eaten. It appears, from the original pagination of the MS., that foll. 65 and 72, which should come in their proper order, have been wrongly placed in binding after foll. 71 and 64, respectively.

Dated A.H. 1226=A.D. 1811.

Scribe: ملا عبد الصمد.

No. 1228.

foll. 194; lines 23; size $11 \times 7\frac{3}{4}$; 9×6 .

The Same.

Vol. II.

A very old copy of the second volume of the same work, beginning with the heading: سورة آل عمران.

Written in fair Arabian Naskh.

Dated the 17th Sha'ban, A.H. 669=A.D. 1271.

علي بن الحسن بن علي الطفونجي : Scribe

The last page contains the following note by a certain Muhammad bin ash-Shaikh Ridwan about his purchase of the MS.:—

دخل في ملك الفقير الى ربة الغذي محمد بن الشيخ رضوان الصافظ المصري الشافعي في محلة الميدان الوسطاني، في زقاق البصل حرر في غرة رجب سنة ١٢٨١ .

No. 1229.

foll. 193; lines 21; size 10×6 ; $6\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

ابراز المعا**ني** ص حرز الاماني IBRÂZ AL- MA'ÂNÎ MIN HIRZ AL-AMÂNÎ.

A remarkable and very old copy of the first half of a commentary on the same poem of Ash-Shâtibî, by Shihâbaddîn Abu'l-Qâsim 'Abdarraḥmân bin Ismâ'îl bin Ibrâhîm, better known as Abû Shâmah علم المعرف الم

الحمد لله الذي اسبغ عليذا نعمه و افاض لديذا صنته و انزل اليذا كتابه الذي فصل آياته فاحكمه و اتقذه و جعلذا من حملته و خدام شرعه الذي علمذا فروضه و سذذه و خصذا بارسال اكرم الخلق صحمد بن عبد الله خاتم انبيائه و سيد اصفيائه النبح *

The author states, in the preface, that Ash-Shâtibî, the author of the original poem, encouraged him in a dream to write the present commentary. He began the work in a very diffuse style; but after writing up to باب الهمزتين, he discovered that the method adopted was a mistaken one, and consequently he abridged the portion already composed, and finished the work in a much more compendious style than that originally contemplated.

The MS. ends with the chapter: باب مذاهبهم في الزوائد الى في اليا آت , the last line of the poem commented upon being :—

For other copies see Berlin, Nos. 606-7; Br. Mus., No. 1558; Nûr 'Uşmânîyah, No. 73; Ayâ Şûfiyah, No. 48; Walîaddîn, No. 16; Râmpûr, p. 44; and Âṣafiyah, p. 300. See also Ḥâj. Khal., vol. iii, p. 44.

Written in small closely written and cursive Persian Naskh, with quotations from the text in red.

. Dated the 23rd Rabî' II, A.H. 778=A.D. 1376. Soribe: معمد بن على بن عصين بن مردانشاة المعروف ببهرامي الهروي.

Two flyleaves, at the beginning, contain, besides miscellaneous notes and extracts, an anonymous poem on the various readings of the seven canonical Qurân-readers, beginning as follows:—

The title-page contains a note by 'Umar bin Shamsaddîn Ahmad al-Qastamûnî, stating that the MS. was purchased by him, at Brussa for 65 Dirhams.

No. 1230.

foll. 260; lines 23; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6$; 6×4 .

كغزا لمعاني

KANZ AL-MA'ÂNÎ.

A well-known commentary on the same poem of Ash-Shâṭibî, by Burhânaddîn Abu'l-'Abbâs lbrâhîm bin 'Umar bin Ibrâhîm bin Khalîl al-Ja'barî ar-Raba'î مرهان الدين ابو العباس ابراهيم بن عبرين ابراهيم (d. A.H. 732=A.D. 1332), for some account of whom see Lib. Cat., vol. xii, No. 706.

Complete in two separate volumes.

Vol. I.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله مبدى الامم و منشى الرمم الذى علم بالقلم علم الانسان مالم يعلم النع *

The introduction consists of two sections, as follows:—

- I. The origin of the various readings of the Qurân and the Prophet's directions regarding them.
- II. A short biographical sketch of Ash-Shâtibî, the author of the text.

The comments on each verse consist of three Anwâ' (parts), as follows:—

- الأول في اللغة و الأعراب و البيان (i)
- الثاني في شرح معاني الكلام (ii)
- الثالث في توجيه وجوة القراآت (iii)

The volume ends with the chapter: هن الزوائد اي باب مذاهبهم في الياآت الزوائد .

According to Hâj. Khal., vol. iii, p 43, the work was completed in the month of Sha'bân, A.H. 691=A.D. 1292.

For other copies see Berlin, No. 611; Gotha, No. 554; München, No. 103; Alger, No. 371; Cairo, vol. i, p. 100; Ayâ Şûfiyah, No. 47; Walîaddîn, Nos. 17—20; Nûr 'Uşmânîyah, Nos. 70-72; and Râmpûr, p. 50.

Written in a pointed Naskh, with occasional marginal notes.

Dated the 18th Rabî' I, A.H. 1008=A.D. 1599.

.ابراهیم بن علی : Seribe

No. 1231.

foll. 335; lines 25; size $12 \times 6\frac{3}{4}$; $8\frac{1}{2} \times 4$.

The Same.

Vol. II.

باب فوش The second volume of the same work, beginning with باب فوش

The volume ends with a Fasl, containing short biographical notices of those Qurân-readers, whose names occur incidentally in the present work.

The colophon runs thus:-

تم الكتاب المبارك بحمد الله و عونه و حسى توفيقه بتاريخ تاسع شهر محرم الحرام من شهور سنة ٢٩ جلوس مبارك مطابق سنة الف و تسعين و سبع و ذلك على يد افقر عباد الله تعالى و احوجهم الى عفوه و مغفرته ابو البركات بن شيخ ابي محمد زاهدي *

Written in fair Naskh, with quotations from the text in red. Dated the 9th Muharram, A.H. 1097=A.D. 1685.

.ابو المركات بن شبخ ابي معمد زاهدي : Scribe

The title-page contains two seals bearing the inscription افضل dated A.H. 1135=A.D. 1722.

No. 1232.

foll. 236; lines 23; size $12\frac{1}{2} \times 7\frac{1}{4}$; $8\frac{1}{2} \times 4$.

The Same.

Vol. I.

Another copy of the first volume of the same work, beginning like the first volume of the above copy and ending with the following colophon:—

The colophon is followed by a note, in the same hand as the text, discussing certain rules about the letter s (Hamzah).

Written in small Naskh, with quotations from the text in red.

Dated the 50th year (i.e., A.H. 1118=A.D. 1707) of the reign of 'Âlamgîr (A.H. 1069-1118=A.D. 1659-1707).

The title-page contains a seal bearing the inscription افضل dated A.H. 1135=A.D. A.D. 1722.

No. 1233.

foll. 235; lines 21; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 4$.

سراج القاري SIRÂJ AL-QÂRÎ.

A commentary on the same poem of Ash-Shâṭibî, by Abu'l-Baqâ' 'Alî bin 'Uşmân bin Muḥammad bin Aḥmad, known as Ibn al-Qâṣiḥ al-'Udrî al-Baġdâdî ابو إلبقاء علي بن عثمان بن محمد بن احمد المعروف بابن القاصم العذري البغدادي .

The full title of the work, as given in the preface, is as follows:- مسراج القارى المبتدى وتذكرة المقرعي المنتهى -

Beginning:—
قال مو لغه الشينج الامام الحمد لله الذي علم القرآن وزين الانسان بنطق اللسان النج *

The author, Ibn Al-Qâṣiḥ, was born on the 3rd Rajab, A.H. 716=A.D. 1316. He studied under Ismâ'îl bin Yûsuf al-Kaffatî (d. A.H. 764=A.D. 1362; see Ad-Durar al-Kâminah, vol. i, fol. 117b), and acquired a great knowledge of the various readings of the Qurân and of grammar. He was appointed a teacher of Qurân-reading in the Madrasah, attached to the grand mosque of Mâridîn (a town in Mesopotamia). He wrote several works, and died in Du'l-Ḥijjah, A.H. 801=A.D. 1399. See Al-Qabas al-Ḥâwî, vol. i, fol. 145a; Dustûr al-I'lâm, fol. 112a; Ḥusn al-Muḥâḍarah, fol. 127b; and Brock., vol, ii, p. 165.

The author tells us, in the preface, that, though numerous commentaries on the poem of Ash-Shâtibî had been written, they were either over-concise, or more diffuse in treatment than the present work. He tells us further that he derived his material from other commentaries on the same poem, viz., by As-Sakhâwî (No. 1224 above); hy Al-Fâsî (No. 1227 above); by Abû Shâmah (No. 1229 above); and by Al-Ja'barî (No. 1230 above). The preface is followed by a short biographical account of Ash-Shâtibî, the author of the text.

The work was completed, as stated by the author in the colophon, on Thursday, the 18th Sha'ban, A.H. 759=A.D. 1358.

For other copies see Berlin, No. 609; Paris, No. 612; Alger, No. 372; Cairo, vol. i, p. 99; Walîaddîn, No. 25; Nûr 'Uşmânîşah, No. 68; Râmpûr, p. 50; and Âsafîyah, p. 300.

The work has been twice printed in Cairo, viz., in A.H. 1293 and 1304.

Written in Arabian Naskh, with quotations from the text in red.

Dated the 8th Du'l-Qa'dab, A.H. 1050=A.D. 1641.

No. 1234.

foll. 390; lines 19; size $8\frac{3}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3$.

The Same.

Another copy of the same work, beginning as the above. Written in fair Naskh, within double red-ruled borders. Not dated; probably 19th century.

. عبد الوهاب بن محمد سالم : Scribe

No. 1235.

foll. 85; lines 15; size $7\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6 \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

كتاب العنوان في القراآت السبع

KITÂB AL-'UNWÂN FI'L-QIRÂ'ÂT AS-SAB'.

* A very old and remarkable copy of a work, treating of the various readings of the seven canonical Qurân-readers.

Author: Abu't-Tâhir Ismâ'îl bin Khalaf bin Sa'îd bin 'Imrân al-Anṣârî aṣ-Ṣaqalî as-Saraqustî al-Miṣrî بن عبران الانصاري الطاهر اسمعيل بن خلف بن سعيد . He was a native of Saraqustah (Saragossa), a city in the east of Spain. He was an eminent grammarian and a great master of the sciences connected with the Qurân. He kept alive his zeal for study and for the communication of its results to the public till his death. Besides the present work, he abridged the Kitâb al-Ḥujjah of 'Abû 'Alî al-Fârisî (No. 1211 above) and Al-Burhân fî Tajsîr 'Ulûm al-Qurân of 'Alî bin Ibrâhîm al-Ḥawfî (d. A.H. 430=A.D. 1038). He died in Egypt on Sunday, the 1st Muḥarram, A.H. 455=A.D. 1063. See Ibn Khallikân (De Slane's translation, vol. i, p. 218); Ḥusn al-Muḥâḍarah, fol. 123b; Buġyat al-Wu'ât, fol. 153b; Dustûr al-I'lâm, fol. 63a; Ṭabaqât al-Qurrâ' by Aḍ-Dahabî, fol. 95b; and Brock., vol. i, p. 407.

Beginning:

اما بعد فاني ذاكر في هذا الكتاب أن شاء الله ما اختلف فيه القراء السبعة المشهورون من ائمة الامصار النو •

We are told, in the preface, that the author had previously written a larger work on the various readings of the seven canonical Qurân-readers, entitled Al-Iktifa', which he subsequently abridged to suit beginners in the present concise work. No copy of his larger work seems to be extant; but it has been noticed by Ḥâj. Khal., vol. i, p. 388.

For other copies see Berlin, Nos. 591-2; and Ayâ Şûfiyah, No. 58. See also Hâj. Khal., vol. iv, pp. 274-5.

The present MS. was transcribed by 'Abdalqawî bin 'Abdallâh bin Ibrâhîm bin Muḥammad al-Anmâṭî às-Sa'dî, a great Qurân-reader of Egypt, who died in the month of Shawwâl, A.H. 646=A.D. 1248. See Tabaqât al-Qurrâ' by Ad-Dahabî, fol. 152a.

Written in fair Naskh, with occasional vowel points. Dated A.H. 632=A.D. 1234.

On fol. 86° the scribe, 'Abdalqawî al-Anmâțî, grants a certificate to his pupil, Shamsaddîn Abû 'Amr 'Uşmân bin 'Alî bin Yahyâ al-Khashshâb, who read the MS. with him from beginning to end in the month of Rajab, A.H. 634=A.D. 1237. A similar certificate, dated A.H. 635=A.D. 1238, in the margin of fol. 85 b runs thus:—

قرأ علي هذا الكتاب من اوله الى آخرة و تلا علي بما فيه من الروايات الطبق صاحبه الشيخ الفقيه العالم المقرئ الضابط الاديب محمد الاصحاب شمس الدين ابو عمرو عثمان بن الشيخ زكي الدين ابى الحسن علي بن يحيئ المعروف بالخشاب عصمه الله من الزلل و وفقه لصالح العمل و اجزت له ان يقرئ به لمن شاء و احب في الي مصر حل من امصار المسلمين فهو اهل لذلك و مستحق له كتب ذلك بخط يدة الفقير الى وحمة ربه المعترف بدنعه عبد القوي بن عبد الله بن ابراهيم بن محمد الانماطي في العشر الوسط من شهر ربيع الآخر من سفة خمس و ثلثين و ستمائة *

Fol. 86^b contains a note by 'Uşmân bin 'Alî bin Yahyâ, better known as Ibn bint Sa'd, dated A.H. 652=A.D. 1254, stating that the

MS. was read by Shihâbaddîn Sha'bân bin Râfi' bin 'Ulaim al-Wâsitî in the presence of Kamâladdîn Abu'l-Ḥasan 'Alî bin Shujâ' bin Sâlim al-Ḥâṣḥimî al-Quraṣhî al-'Abbâsî (d. A.H. 661=A.D. 1263; see Ṭabaqât al-Qurrâ' by Ad-Dahabî, fol. 156a). The writer of this note, Ibn bint Sa'd, was born at Dâriyâ in A.H. 629=A.D. 1232; and he died in Cairo, A.H. 719=A.D. 1319. See Ṭabaqât al-Kubrâ by As-Subkî, vol. vii, fol. 188b; and Ad-Durar al-Kâminah, vol. i, fol. 316a.

Another note by the same Ibn bint Sa'd is found on the title-page.

No. 1236.

foll. 113; lines 21; size $7\frac{3}{4} \times 6$; $6 \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

المستنير في القراآت العشرة

AL-MUSTANÎR FI'L-QIRÂ'ÂT AL-'ASHARAH.

A treatise on the ten readings of the Qurân, by Abû Țâhir Ahmad bin 'Alî bin 'Ubaidallâh bin 'Umar bin Siwâr al-Baġdâdî al-Muqrî aḍ-Parîr المقربي سوار البغدادي الله بن عبيد الله بن عبيد

Beginning:-

The author, whom Ad-Dahabî describes, on the authority of As-Sam'ânî, as a skilled Qurân-reader and a traditionist of eminent talent, was born at Baġdâd in A.H. 412=A.D. 1021. He studied under 'Utbah bin 'Abdalmalik al-'Uşmânî (d. A.H. 446=A.D. 1054), Abû Bakr Muḥammad bin 'Alî al-Khayyât (d. A.H. 467=A.D. 1074), Hasan bin 'Abdallâh al-'Aṭṭâr (d. A.H. 447=A.D. 1055) and several other distinguished scholars. He lived a saintly life, and used to deliver lectures on the Qurân and Ḥadîş. He died at his native city in Sha'bân, A.H. 496=A.D. 1103. See Ṭabaqât al-Qurrâ' by Ad-Dahabî, fol. 101b, and Mir'ât al-Janân, fol. 282b.

The contents of the work, and its method of treatment, have been set forth on fol. 3a thus:—

و قد صفف الشياخفا رضي الله عنهم كتبا في اختلاف العشرة في الحروف عارية من الآثار و السنن مما تدعو الحاجة اليها و ما روي من ذلك

عن النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم و الصحابة و التابعين فاحببت ان اجمع كتابا اذكر فيه ما قرأت به على شيوخى الدين ادركتهم من القرآت تلاوة دون ما سمعت و اذكر فيه بعده من السنن و الآثار و فضائل القرآن و ماجاء في ذلك و الحدث على حفظ القرآن و الاقراء و تعليم العربية التي يتوصل بها الى البحث على المعاني الدقيقة و كل حرف قرأ به احد الائمة العشرة على ما ادالا الى خلفنا سلفهم المتصلة اسانيد قراءتهم برسول الله صلى الله عليه و سلم .

The work is mentioned by Haj. Khal., vol. v, p. 526, where he quotes an extract from the preface, and states that the work consists of 156 Riwâyât (traditions).

The work has been used as an authority, particularly for the three additional readings of the Qurân, by several later writers, such as Ṣadaqah bin Salâm bin Ḥusain al-Masḥarânî (see Br. Mus. Suppl., No. 90), Muḥammad bin Ḥhalîl al-Qubâqibî, the author of İdâḥ ar-Rumûz (No. 1250 below), and others.

Another copy of the work is noticed in Nûr 'Uşmânîyah, No. 91.

Written in fair Naskh, with the headings in red.

Not dated; probably 15th century.

No. 1237.

foll. 39; lines 15; size $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

نزهة البروة في صفاهب القواء العشوة

NUZHAT AL-BARARAH FÎ MADÂHIB AL-QURRÂ' AL-'AŞHARAH.

An old and remarkable copy of a versified work, treating of the various readings of the ten celebrated Qurân-readers, arranged according to the Sûrahs of the Qurân.

Author: Burhânaddîn Abu'l-'Abbâs Ibrâhîm bin 'Umar bin Ibrâhîm bin <u>Kh</u>alîl al-Ja'barî ar-Raba'î برهان الدين ابو العباس ابراهيم بن ابراهيم بن خليل الجعبري الربعي (d. A.H. 732=A.D. 1332; see Lib. Cat., vol. xii, No. 706).

The MS., which is slightly defective at the beginning, opens thus:—

According to the colophon, the present valuable copy, dated the Madrasah Nûrîyah, Ba'labakk, A.H. 726=A.D. 1326, was transcribed during the life-time of the author by his pupil, Aḥmad bin Ibrâhîm al-Ba'lî, an eminent scholar and poet, who was born in A.H. 710=A.D. 1310, and died in the month of Ramadân, A.H. 747=A.D. 1347. See Ad-Durar al-Kâminah, vol. i, fol. 25^b.

The colophon reads thus:-

كتبها لغفسة احمد بن ابراهيم بن صالر [sic] بمدينة بعلبك المحروسة بالمدرسة الغورية اثاب الله تعالى واقفها و وافق الفراغ صفها في يوم الثلثاء الثالث من المحرم سفة ست و عشرين و سبعمائة *

The title-page contains a poem by the same Al-Ja'barî, in praise of the present work, beginning as follows:—

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in fair Naskh, with occasional vowel points and marginal notes. Slightly water-stained.

No. 1238.

foll. 14; lines 15; size $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

رسالة الخلِ الناصحِ في حل المشكل الواضح RISÂLAT AL-KHILL AN-NÂŞIḤ FÎ HALL AL-MUSHKIL AL-WÂDIḤ.

A treatise in refutation of those Qurân-readers, who think that all readings of the Qurân, not sanctioned by any of the seven canonical Qurân-readers, are apocryphal and valueless.

By the same Al-Ja'barî.

Beginning:-

The occasion of the present composition is set forth in the preface thus:—

فهذا الله التي بعض الاخوان من اهل القرآن رافعة لهذا الواقعة الشنيعة و البدعة الفظيعة مبينة لما صحف مقومة لما حرف وهو ان قوما من القرآء و غيرهم ركبوا نكباء و خبطوا عشواء فحصروا الاحرف السبعة الواردة في الحديث في قراآت هو لاء الائمة السبعة و سموا ما عداها شاذا تمسكا بسبعة الامام ابي بكربن مجاهد رحمة الله تعالئ *

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in the same hand, and by the same scribe, as the preceding work. Dated the Madrasah Nûrîyah, Ba'labakk, the 4th Rabî' II, A.H. 726=A.D. 1326.

The title-page contains an *Ijâzah*, or license, granted by the author, in his own handwriting, to the scribe, <u>Sh</u>ihâbaddîn Aḥmad bin Ibrâhîm bin Şâlar al-Ba'lî.

No. 1239.

foll. 45; lines 13; size 7×5 ; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 4$.

عقد اللَّالي في القراآت السبع العوالي

'IQD AL-LA'ÂLÎ FI'L-QIRÂ'ÂT AS-SAB' AL-'AWÂLÎ.

A unique copy of a metrical work, treating of the various readings of the seven canonical Qurân-readers, composed in the same metre and with the same rhymes as the *Hirz al-Amânî* of Ash-Shâṭibî (No. 1221 above).

Author: Aşîraddîn Abû Hayyân Muḥammad bin Yûsuf bin 'Alī bin Yûsuf bin Hayyân al-Garnâţî al-Andalusî اثير الدين ابو حيان معمد , one of the greatest authors that Spain under the Moors produced. He was born at Granada towards the end of the month of Shawwâl, A.H. 654=A.D. 1256, and received his early education there. In A.H. 679=A.D.

1280 he left Spain, and after some travels in the Hijaz and Syria settled permanently at Cairo, where he completed his education, and attached himself for a long time to the celebrated grammarian, Baha'addîn Muhammad bin Ibrâhîm Ibn an-Nahhâs al-Ḥalabî (d. A.H. 698=A.D. 1298). He studied under no less than 450 teachers, and established his reputation as a distinguished scholar. considered the greatest authority of his time in grammar, Hadîş and He served as a professor in several Madrasahs, wrote a large number of books, and died on the 28th Safar, A.H. 745=A.D. 1345. For further particulars of his life and works, see Brock., vol. ii, p. 109; Ad-Durar al-Kâminah, voi. ii, foll 275b-278b; Husn al-Muḥâdarah, fol. 135°; Bugyat al-Wu'ât, fol. 92°; Tabaqât by Ibn Qâdî Shuhbah, fol. 148^a; Tâj aṭ-Ṭabaqât, vol. viii, fol. 135^a; and Dustûr *al·I'lâm, fol. 35°. See also Tabaqât al-Mufassirîn by Ad-Dâ'ûdî, foll. 1116-113a, where the date of his death is incorrectly given as Thursday, the 30th Du'l-Hijjah, A.H. 734=A.D. 1334.

Beginning:-

The work, as its title clearly indicates, deals with the seven principal readings of the Qurân, and consists of 1044 verses, including a preface of 19 verses. Ibn Ḥajar al-'Asqalânî, in Ad-Durar al-Kâminah (loc. cit.), remarks that the 'Iqd al-La'âlî of Abû Ḥayyân al-Garnâtî is far better in treatment and more useful than the Ḥirz al-Amânî of Ash-Shâtibî.

The MS., dated the Sâliḥîyah Madrasah, the 17th Jumâdâ II, A.H. 716=A.D. 1316, was transcribed from the author's original draft by his pupil, Shihâbaddîn Ahmad bin Wajîhaddîn 'Abdalkarîm bin 'Abdarraḥmân al·Abyârî, and was collated with the original with the help of the author himself in several sittings, the last of which was held on Thursday, the 27th Jumâdâ II, A.H. 716=A.D. 1316, as stated in the following note, in the author's own hand, on the title-page:—

قرأ على هذا القصيد من انشادى وكتبه من خطي وقابله معي باصلي الفقية الفاضل العالم السري المحصل النبيل شهاب الدين احمد بن الشيخ الامين الثقة وجية الدين عبد الكريم بن عبد الرحمٰن الابياري نفعة الله و نفع به و اجزت له ان يرويه عنى و ان يروى عنى جميع

ما يجوز لي روايته و جميع ما صنفته في علم التفسير و النحو و اللغة و القراآت و الفقه و الحديث و الادب و التاريخ و جميع ما انشأته من نظم و نثرو كانت قراءته على لهذا القصيد في مجالس آخرها يوم الخميس السابع و العشرين من شهر جمادى الآخرة سنة ست عشرة و سبع مائة كتبه ابو حيان محمد بن يوسف بن على بن يوسف بن حيان *

Written in fair Naskh, with occasional vowel points. Fol. 44 is blank; but there is no break in the text.

No. 1240.

foll: 45; lines 15; size 7×5 ; $5 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

نكت الامالي على عقد اللهالي

NUKAT AL-AMÂLÎ 'ALÂ 'IQD AL-LA'ÂLÎ.

A commentary by Abû Ḥayyân al-Andalusî on his own metrical work, entitled عقد الآلي في القراكت السبع العوالي (No. 1239 above.)

Beginning:—
قال الشيخ الامام العالم العلامة فريد دهرة وحيد عصرة اثير الدين ابو حيان محمد بن يوسف بن علي بن حيان الاندلسي هذه نكت كتبتها على جهة الشرح المختص لقصيدتي في القراآت و سميتها فكت الامالي على عقد الله ينفع بذلك النج *

The passages quoted from the text are distinguished by the word قوله.

No other copy of the work is known.

The copy was transcribed, like that of the text noticed above, by the author's pupil, Shihâbaddîn Ahmad bin Wajîhaddîn 'Abdal-Karim bin 'Abdarraḥmân al-Abyârî at the Sâlihîyah Madrasah on the 8th Jumâdâ II, A.H. 716=A.D. 1316.

Written in fair Naskh, with occasional vowel points.

The title-page contains a note by the celebrated traditionist, Ibrâhîm bin 'Alî bin Aḥmad al-Qalqashandî al-Maqdisî (d. A.H. 922=

A.D. 1516), who states that a portion of the MS., including text and commentary, was read in his presence, on the 9th Jumâdâ II, A.H., 912=A.D. 1506, by Shaikh Zainaddîn 'Abdalqâdir bin Ḥasan bin Ḥusain al-Fayyûmî, and that among the hearers were Az-Zain 'Abdalbâsiṭ al-Ḥaṣîrî, Aṣḥ-Shams Muḥammad al-Fakhrî and Az-Zain 'Abdarraḥmân al-'Aṣimî, to each of whom he granted a general permission to transmit his narration to others. The note runs thus:—

قرأ على الشيخ زين الدين عبد القادر بن حسن بن حسين الغيومي قطعة من اول القصيد و قطعة من اول النكت عليها كلاهما للشيخ العلامة وحيد عصرة ابي حيان الاندلسي تغمدة الله برحمته و سمع المشائخ الزين عبد الباسط الحصيري و الشمس محمد الفخرى و الزبن عبد الرحمن العاصمي و اجزت لكل منهم ان يرويهما عني و سائر مروياتي و اخبرتهم بروايتي لكتب الشيخ ابي حيان عن جماعة منهم والدي و جدي و شيخ الاسلام و الحفاظ ابن حجر في تاسع شهر جمادى الآخرة سنة اثنى عشرو تسع مائة و كتب ابراهيم بن علي القرشي المقدسي الاثري الشافعي عشرو تسع مائة و كتب ابراهيم بن علي القرشي المقدسي الاثري الشافعي

No. 1241.

foll 89; lines 27; size $11\frac{1}{2} \times 7\frac{3}{4}$; $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$.

المضبوط في القراآت السبع

· AL-MADBÛT FI'L-QIRÂ'ÂT AS-SAB'.

A work on the seven readings of the Qurân.

The author, whose name is not found in the MS., is 'Uşmân bin Muḥammad bin Muḥammad al-Ġaznawî عثبان بن معمد بن معمد الغزنوي. He refers, on fol. 35°, to two other works of his, viz., (i) Maqâlîd ar-Rumûz, and (ii) Majâtîḥ al-Kunûz (see Leyden, No. 1638). He lived in the 8th century of the Hijrah. See Brock., vol. ii, p. 201.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله الذي كشف عنا الغطاء بتنزيل كتابه و صرف عنا العناء بترتيل خطابه فلما رأيت اكثر اهل الزمان معرضين عن فرض

تجلم القرآن الكويم و تعليمه و تجويده و ترتيله المأصور به بقوله سبحانه و تعالى و رتل القرآن ترتيلا النع *

The work is divided into two parts. The first part is subdivided into six chapters as follows:—

- I. The merit attached to the reading of the Qurân, and the regard due to the men who have handed it down, fol. 2^a.
- II. The rules to be observed in its reading, teaching and transcribing, fol. 5^a .
- III. The orthography of the copies of the Qurân, especially of those written by the Sahâbah (Companions of the Prophet), fol. 16^b.
- IV. Principles of the Qirâ'at, which are unanimously approved by all, fol. 29^b.
 - V. Principles of the Qirâ'at, on which opinions differ, fol. 30b.
- VI. An explanation of the abbreviations and symbols used in the second part of the present work, fol. 39^b.

The first part ends, on fol. 40b, with the following colophon:—

تم القسم الاول ض المضبوط بحمد الله وحسن توفيقه و الحمد لله وحسن توفيقه و الحمد لله وب العالمين و ذلك بتأريخ شهر جمادى الاولى نهار الاربعاء لعله السابع عشر سنة الف و مائة و ثلثة عشر من الهجرة النبوية و ذلك بخط فقر العبيد و احوجهم الى المبدى المعيد سعيد بن احمد الغزي الشافعي مذهبا الريمي بلدا و ذلك بمدينة زبيد المحمية *

The second part, which is arranged according to the Sûrahs of the Qurân, deals with the various readings of the seven canonical Qurânreaders.

For other copies, see Leyden, No. 1637; and Râmpûr, p. 54.

Written in cursive Arabian Naskh.

Dated A.H. 1113=A.D. 1702.

. سعيد بن احمد الغربي الريمي الشافعي : Scribe

Five fly-leaves at the beginning contain miscellaneous notes and extracts from other books.

No. 1242.

foll. 141; lines 17; size $7\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{3}{4}$; $5\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

مصطلح الاشارات MUSTALIH AL-ISHÂRÂT.

A rare copy of a work treating of six additional but reliable readings of the Qurân, other than the prevalent seven readings.

The full title of the work, as given in the preface, is as follows:-

مصطلح الاشارات في القراآت الزوائد المروية عن الثقات .

Author: Abu'l-Baqâ' 'Alî bin 'Uşmân bin Muḥammad bin Aḥmad, better kown as Ibn al-Qâṣiḥ al-'Udrî al-Baġdâdî ابو البقاء المعمون بن محمد بن احمد المعروف بابن القاصم العذري البغدادي (d. A.H. 801=A.D. 1399); for some account of whom see No. 1233 above.

Beginning:-

The six additional readings mentioned in the work are as follows:— $\,$,

- 1. The reading of Abû Ja'far Yazîd bin al-Qa'qâ' al-Madanî (d. A.H. 129=A.D. 747; see Mir'ât al-Janân, fol.68a).
- The reading of Ibn Muḥaiṣin al-Makkî (d. A.H. 123=A.D.
 see Ṭabaqât al-Qurrâ' by Ad-Dahabî, fol. 18a).
- 3. The reading of Ḥasan bin Abi'l-Ḥasan al-Baṣrî (d. A.H. 110 = A.D. 729; see Al-Kâṣhif, fol. 26^b).
- 4. The reading of Ya'qûb bin Ishâq al-Ḥaḍramî (d. A.H. 205= A.D. 821; see ibid., fol. 151a).
- 5. The reading of Sulaimân al-A'mash (d. A.H. 148=A.D. 765'; see Tabaqât al-Ḥuffâz, vol. i, p. 138).
- 6. The reading of Khalaf bin Hishâm al-Bazzâr (d. A.H. 229 = A.D. 844; see Al-Kâshif, fol. 36a).

In the preface, the author enumerates the following sources, from which he derived material for the present work:—

I. Al-Mustanîr, by Abû Tâhir Aḥmad bin 'Alî al-Baġdâdî (No. 1236 above).

II. Irshâd al-Mubtadî, by Abu'l-'Izz al-Qalânisî (d. A.H. 521= A.D. 1127).

III. Al-Mubhij, by Sibt al-Khayyât (d. A.H. 541 = A.D. 1146).

IV. At-Tadkirah, by Tâhir Ibn Galbûn (d. A.H. 389=A.D. 998).

V. $Mu!rid\hat{a}t$ al- $Qurr\hat{a}$, by Ḥasan bin 'Alî al-Ahwâzî (d. A.H. 446 = A.D. 1054).

Contents:-

باب اتصال قواءتي لمهوَّالاء الأئمة السنَّة و اتصال قواءتهم بالنبي صلى الله عليه و سلم * Fol. 7ª. باب الأدغام الكبير باب الأدغام الصغير Fol. 8b. باب النون الساكنة و التنوين Fol. 9b. باب الهد و القصر Fol. 10a. باب الهمرتين من كلمة Fol. 11a. باب الهمر تين من كلمتين Fol. 11b. باب الهمر المفرد Fol. 12^a. باب مذهب الأعمش في الوقف على الهمور Fol. 13b. باب الفدّي و الامالة Fol. 14b. باب السكت Fol. 17b. باب الوقف على اواخر الكلم Fol. 18b. باب الاستعادة و السملة Fol. 18b.

The rest of the work is arranged according to the Sûrahs of the Qurân.

For other copies, see Kûprîlîzâdah, No. 30; and Walîaddîn, No. 38.

Written in bold Arabian Naskh. Foll. 1-14 are supplied in a later hand.

Dated, the 18th Rabî' I, A.H. 787=A.D. 1385.

A note at the end says that the MS. was collated with the author's original draft. Another note, in the margin of fol. 21^a, tells us that the MS. was read in the presence of the author.

No. 1243.

foll. 293; lines 19; size 8×6 ; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

كتاب النشر في القراآت العشر

KITÂB AN-NASHR FI'L-QIRÂ'ÂT AL-'ASHR.

A comprehensive work treating of the various readings of the ten Qurân-readers, in three segments volumes.

Author: Shamsaddin Abu'l-Khair Muhammad bin Muhammad bin al-Jazarî (d. A.H. 833=A.D. 1429; see Lil. Cat., vol. xv, No. 1015, ii).

Vol. I.

Beginning:-

The work, according to Brock., vol. ii, p. 201, was composed at Medina, in A.H. 825 = A.D. 1420.

For the contents of the work, see Berlin, No. 657. For other copies, see Cairo, vol. i, p. 117; Escur., No. 129; Nûr 'Uşmânîyah, No. 97; Ayâ Sûfiyah, No. 62; Walîaddîn, No. 40; Yenî, No. 7; Hamîdîyah, No. 25; Âşafîyah, p. 304; and Râmpûr, p. 55.

The author himself wrote an abridgment of the present work, entitled التقريب معتصر النشر (see Berlin, No. 658). Abridgments were also written by Qâdî Abu'l-Fadl Muḥammad bin Muḥammad Ibn ash-Shiḥnah (d. A.H. 890=A.D. 1485) and Muṣṭafâ bin 'Abdarraḥmân al-Izmîrî (d. A.H. 1155=A.D. 1742). Cf. Ḥâj. Khal., vol. vi, p. 343.

The last two folios contain miscellaneous notes and extracts from other books.

Written in cursive Naskh. Lacunae are found on foll. 79^b , 111^b , 165^b and 246^a .

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1244.

foll. 180; lines and size same as above.

The Same.

Vol. II.

The second volume of the same work.

Beginning:-

باب الادغام الصغير و هو عبارة عما اذا كان الحرف الاول مذه ساكذا كما قدمنا في اول باب الادغام الكبير النع *

The last three folios contain several short anonymous poems. Written in cursive Naskh. Lacunae are found on foll. 79^b, 170^a, and 171^b.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1245.

foll. 198; lines and size same as above.

The Same.

Vol. III.

The third volume of the same work. Beginning:—

باب بيان افراد القراآت و جمعها - لم يتعرض احد من ائمة القراءة في

تواليفهم لهذا الباب وقد اشار اليه ابو القاسم الصفراوي في اعلانه النو .

Written in cursive Naskh. Lacunae are found on foll. 10°, 149°, and 188°.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1246.

foll. 52; lines 11; size 8×6 ; $5\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$.

طيبة النشرفي القراآت العشر

TAYYIBAT AN-NASHR FI'L-QIRÂ'ÂT AL-'ASHR.

A versified work on the various readings of the ten Qurân-readers.

By the same Al-Jazarî.

Beginning:-

فال محمد هـو ابن الجـزرى يا ذا الجلال ارحمة و استوو اغفرى الحمـد لله على مـا يسـرة من نشر منقول حروف العشـرة

The work, which consists of one thousand verses, was completed at Rûm in the month of Shâ'bân, A.H. 799=A.D. 1396.

For other copies see Berlin, No. 659; Br. Mus., No. 88, iii; Paris, No. 4532, vi; Alger, No. 376, vi; Cairo, vol. i, p. 101; Walîaddîn, No. 32; and Âṣafîyah, p. 300. See also Brock., vol. ii, p. 202; and Ḥâj. Khal., vol. iv, p. 172.

The work was lithographed at Cairo in A.H. 1282, and was printed there in A.H. 1296

Abû Bakr Aḥmad, the author's son, wrote a commentary on the present work; for copies of which, see Nûr 'Uṣmânîyah, No. 76, and Râmpûr, p. 51.

Foll. 1a-2b contain a short extract from the beginning of the commentary on the present work by Abu'l-Qâsim Muḥammad bin Muḥammad al-'Aqîlî an-Nuwairî (d. A.H. 837=A.D. 1433); for a copy of which, see Berlin, No. 660. Explanatory notes, extracted from the commentary of Al-'Aqîlî, are found in the margins of foll. 1a-19b. Leaflets, containing notes taken from the same commentary, are inserted after foll. 7, 27, and 37.

A fly-leaf, inserted after fol. 48, contains a diagram, showing how the original ten readings of the Qurân got multiplied into many readings, and naming all the successive followers of each of the original Qurân-readers, who are considered authorities.

Written in elegant Naskh, with all the vowel points.

The headings are in red.

Dated A.H. 1202=A.D. 1787.

.معمند بن على البركوي : Scribe

No. 1247.

foll. 139; lines 27; size $10\frac{1}{2} \times 7$; $7\frac{1}{2} \times 4$.

شرح طيبة النشر

SHARH TAYYIBAT AN-NASHR.

A unique copy of a commentary on the preceding work, by Jamaladdîn Muhammad bin al-Ḥasan bin Muhammad bin Ahmad as Samannûdî al-Khalwatî ash-Shâfi'î, commonly called Al-Munavyir جهال الدين محمد بن الحسن بن محمد بن احمد السمأودي الخلوتي الشافعي الشهير بالمنير. He was born at Samannûd, in A.H. 1099=A.D. 1688. After completing his education under Abu's-Ṣafâ' 'Alî ash-Shanwânî, the author of Al-Fawâ'id as-Sanîyah (see Cairo, vol. ii, p. 213), and several other scholars, he came to Egypt, where he became a disciple of Mustafâ bin Kamâladdîn al-Bakrî (d.A.H. 1162=A.D. 1749; see Silk ad-Durar, vol. iv, p. 190) in the Khalwatîyah order; held for some time the post of a professor in the Jâmi 'al-Azhar; and died on Monday, the 11th Rajab, A.H. 1199=A.D. 1785. Among his compositions the most popular is Tuhfat as-Sâlikîn, an exposition of Sûfi doctrines, which has been twice printed in Cairo, viz., in A.H. 1287 and 1305. For other particulars of his life and works see Taj at-Tabaqât vol. xii, part ii, fol. 359a, and Brock., vol. ii, p. 353.

In the following extract from the beginning of the MS., the author's name and the title of the work are both mentioned, and it is stated that he wrote the present work at the request of some of his friends:—

التحمد لله الدي جمع في القرآن العظيم كذور معاني دقائق حقائق العلوم و اعطى من اصطفالا من خلقه مفاتيحها فاستخرج من زوايا خباياها و بعد فيقول حمال اثقال الدنوب و اسير وصمات العيوب و كثير هموم لغوب الكروب فقير وبه المصور الحقير محمد بن الحسن المذير الشافعي الاشعري الخلوتي السمانودي [sie السمنودي] جمله الله باشراق السر الشهودي سألني بعض الاخوان و الاحباب من العلماء النبلاء الانجاب ان اضع شرحا لطيفا على الكتاب المسمى بطيبة النشر في القراآت العشر لحافظ عصرة و وحيد دهوة محمد بن محمد بن محمد بن محمد الجزرى فاجبته بعد ذلك

الداك سائلا من مائك الممالك عند الشروع في سلوك تلك المسالك أن ينجيني مما فيها من المهالك و أن يسهل و ييسرلي ما هذالك طالبا أن يكون خالصا لوجهه الكريم و سببا للفوز بجنات النعيم و سميته سطعات لمعات انوار ضياء الفجر في شرح كتاب طيبة النشر النع ...

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in fair Naskh.

Dated the 3rd Jumâdâ I, A.H. 1288=A.D. 1871.

. حافظ عبد الله الركام الجورياني ابن سعيد : Scribe

No. 1248.

foll. 31; lines 15-25; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 6$; $6 \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

(A MS. containing two works, bound together.)

foll. 1a-10b.

T.

الدرة المضيه

AD-DURRAT AL-MUDÎYAH.

A metrical tract containing 241 verses, in the same metre and with the same rhymes as the $Hirz\,al$ - $Am\hat{a}n\hat{i}$ of $A\underline{sh}$ - $\underline{Sh}\hat{a}$ tibî (No. 1221 above).

Author: Shamsaddîn Abu'l-Khair Muḥammad bin Muḥammad bin al-Jazarî ممس الدين ابو الخير محمد بن محمد بن الجزري (d. A.H. 833 = A.D. 1429; see Lib. Cat., vol. xv, No. 1015, ii).

Beginning:-

The work, which is described by the author as a supplement to the *Hirz al-Amanî* of Ash-Shatibî, treats of the various readings of the following three Quran-readers:—

- 1. Abû Ja'far Yazîd bin al-Qa'qa' al-Madanî (d. A.H. 129=A.D. 747).
- 2. Ya qûb bin Ishâq al-Hadramî al-Başrî (d. A.H. 205=A.D. 821).
 - 3. Khalaf bin Hishâm al-Bazzâr al-Kûfî (d. A.H. 229=A.D. 844). VOL. XVIII.

The work was completed at Mecca in A.H. 823=A.D. 1420. The date of composition is obtained from the following chronogram:—

The last six verses describe the horrors of an attack by a gang of Arab robbers on the author's caravan on his journey from Mecca to Medina.

For other copies see Berlin, No. 662; Gotha, No. 558; München, No. 893; Wien, No. 1632; Alger, No. 376; Cairo, vol. i, p. 108; and Kûprîlîzâdah, No. 17.

The work has been printed in Cairo, A.H. 1296.

Written in Arabian Naskh, with the headings in light green.

Dated Thursday, the 15th Ramadân, A.H. 1093=A.D. 1682.

.محمد بن احمد الدقاق : Scribe

foll. 12b-31b.

II.

ايضاح الدرة المضيه

ÎDÂH AD-DURRAT AL-MUDÎYAH.

A commentary on the preceding work, by a certain disciple of the author of the text. Cf. Hâj. Khal., vol. iii, p. 210.

Beginning:-

The commentator, who does not reveal his name, tells us in the above-quoted extract that he had read the text with its author at Zabîd in several sittings, the last of which was held on the 28th Jumâdâ II, A.H. 828=A.D. 1425.

Written in the same hand and by the same scribe as the above. Fol. 11 is blank.

Dated Wednesday, the 11th Du'l-Qa'dah, A.H. 1093=A.D. 1682. Fol. 12^a contains the seals and signatures of several former owners of the MS.

No. 1249.

foll. 31; lines 21; size $7\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

The Same.

Another copy of the same commentary, beginning as the above. Foll. 1^b-2^a contain short biographical notices of the three Qurân-readers, whose readings are dealt with in the text.

Written in fair Naskh, within double red-ruled borders.

Dated Wednesday, the 22nd Ramadân, A.H. 1046 = A.D. 1637.

Scribe: معمد ابو نعمة.

A_xfly-leaf, at the end, contains a diagram of the mouth and tongue, indicating how the different letters of the alphabet should be pronounced, reproduced from As-Sakkâkî's Kitâbal-Miftâh.

No. 1250.

foll. 156; lines 19-21; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6$; $5\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

ايضاح الرموز ومفتاح الكنوز

ÎDÂḤ AR-RUMÛZ WA MIFTÂḤ AL-KU-NÛZ.

A commentary on the author's own metrical work, entitled Majma' as-Surûr Wa Maila' ash-Shams wa'l-Budûr, treating of the various readings of the fourteen Qurân-readers.

Author: Shamsaddîn Abû 'Abdallâh Muḥammad bin Khalîl bin Abî Bakr bin Muḥammad al-Ḥalabî al-Maqdisî ash-Shâfi'î, better known as Ibn al-Qubâqibî مصمد بين خليل بن ابي بكر العام عبد الله محمد بين خليل بن ابي القباتبي المقدسي الشافعي الشهير بابن القباتبي العقام . He was born at Aleppo, in a.h. 777=a.d. 1376. He studied under 'Abdarraḥîm bin al-Ḥusain al-'Irâqî (d. a.h. 806=a.d. 1404), and became known as a great jurist and a skilled Qurân-reader. He settled permanently at Jerusalem, where he died on Friday, the 20th Rajab, a.h. 849=a.d. 1445. See Al-Qabas al-Ḥâwî, vol. ii, fol. 59°; Al-Uns al-Jalîl, vol. ii, p. 519; Dustûr al- I'lâm, fol. 112b; and Brock., vol. ii, p. 113.

Beginning:-

قال الشيخ الامام العالم شمس الدين محمد بن خليل بن ابي بكر بن محمد الحلبي الشافعي الشهير بابن القباقبي المقدسي الحمد لله و كفى و سلام على عبادة الدين اصطفى اما بعد فاني لما رأيت كذابي المسمى بمجمع السرور و مطلع الشمس و البدور الجامع بين مداهب القراء الاربعة عشر قد شاع ذكرة بين الطلاب التي *

In the preface, the author enumerates the following works as his authorities:—

- 1. Kitâb an-Nashr, by Muḥammad bin Muḥammad al-Jazarî (see No. 1243 above).
- 2. Mufradât al-Qurrâ', by Hasan bin 'Alî bin Ibrâhîm al-Ahwâzî (d. A.H. 446=A D. 1054; see Mir'ât al-Janân, fol. 256a).
- · 3. Al-Mubhij fi'l-Qirâ'ât aṣ-Ṣamân, by Abû Muḥammad 'Abdallâh bin 'Alî, called Sibt al-Khayyât al-Baġdâî (d. а.н. 541=а.р. 1146; see ibid., fol. 313b).
- 4. Al-Mustanîr, by Abû Tâhir Ahmad bin 'Alî bin 'Ubaidallâh bin 'Umar bin Siwâr al-Bagdâdî (see No. 1236 above).

For the contents of the work see Berlin, No. 669. For other copies see Cairo, vol. i, p. 105, and Kûprîlîzâdah, No. 27. See also Hâj. Khal., vol. i, p. 506.

Written in rough Naskh, with the headings in red.

Dated A.H. 1174=A.D. 1760.

No.1251.

foll. 18; lines 21; size $7\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

الدر الناظم

AD-DURR AN-NÂZIM.

A treatise on the reading of ' \hat{A} sim (d. A.H. 128=A.D. 745), as handed down by his disciple, Hafs (d. A.H. 180=A.D. 796).

The full title of the work, as given in the preface, is as follows:—

الدر الذاظم لرواية حفص عن قراءة عاصم .

Author: Abu't-Tawfiq 'Uşmân bin 'Umar bin Abî Bakr an-Nâshirî az-Zabîdî ابوالتوفيق عثمان بن عمر بن ابي بكر الناشري الربيدي. He belonged to the illustrious family of An-Nâshirî, which produced a considerable number of eminent scholars. He died about A.H. 860 = A.D. 1456. See Brock., vol. ii, p. 189.

*Beginning:-

الحمد لله حق حمدة و صلاته و سلامه على سيدنا محمد و عبدة و على الله و صحبه من بعدة و بعد فاني لا رأيت اهل بلدنا زبيد حماها الله و سائر بلاد الاسلام يسارعون الى الخيرات و يتذافسون فى الطاعات و كفت قد جمعت لهم ررايتى قالون و الدوري رأيت ان اعززهم بثالث و هو الامام حفص بن سليمان عن الامام عاصم النو *

For other copies see Berlin, No. 646; Alger, No. 376; and Âsafîyah, p. 298.

At the end is a note, in the same hand as the text, enumerating the number of Sûrahs, verses, and words contained in the Qurân, and how many times each letter of the alphabet occurs.

Written in Arabian Naskh, with the headings in red. A short lacuna is found on fol. 16^b.

Not dated; probably 16th century.

No. 1252.

foll. 19; lines 17; size $7\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6 \times 4\frac{1}{4}$.

[روايتي قالون و الدوري]

[RIWÂYATAI QÂLÛN WA'D-DAWRÎ.]

A treatise on the readings of Nâfi' bin' Abdarraḥmân al-Madanî (d. A.H. 169=A.D. 786) and Abû 'Amr bin al-'Alâ' al-Başrî (d. A.H. 154=A.D. 771), as handed down by Qâlûn (d. A.H. 220=A.D. 835) and Ad-Dawrî (d. A.H. 246=A.D. 860), respectively.

The title of the work and the author's name are not found in the MS. From the preface of Ad-Durr an-Nazim (No. 1251 above), it appears that this work is also by An-Nashiri.

Beginning:-

 No other copy of the work is known.

Written in Arabian Naskh, with the headings in red. Dated Friday, the 9th Du'l-Qa'dah, A.H. 1020=A.D. 1612.

.عبد الله بن سعيد بن عبد الله المكنى ابوقشيو: Scribe

No. 1253.

foll. 50; lines 15; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; 6×4 .

الهدايه الى تحقيق الروايه . AL_HIDÂVAH IIÂ TAH

AL-HIDÂYAH ILÂ TAḤQÎQ AR-RIWÂYAH.

A work on the readings of Nafi' bin 'Abdarraḥman al-Madanî (d. A.H. 169=A.D. 786) and Abû 'Amr bin al-'Alâ' al-Baṣrî (d. A.H. 154=A.D. 771), as handed down by Qâlûn (d. A.H. 220=A.D. 835) and Ad-Dawrî (d. A.H. 246=A.D. 860), respectively.

Author: 'Afîfaddîn 'Uşmân bin 'Amr bin Abî Bakr al-'Adnânî عقيف الدين عثمان بن عمرو بن ابي بكر العدناني.

Beginning:

The title of the work and the author's name are both given on the title-page; but no mention of either is to be found in any bibliographical or biographical work. The title-page reads thus:—

كتاب الهداية الى تحقيق الرواية عن امام التحقيق و الدراية نافع بن عبد الرحمٰن المدني و ابي عمرو بن العلاء البصري رواية عيسى بن ميذا قالون عن ناقع و رواية ابي عمرو الدوري عن ابن محمد اليزيدي عن ابي عمرو

قدس الله ارواحهم و نفعنا بهم آمين - تأليف الفقير المقرى المحقق عفيف الدين عثمان بن عمرو بن ابي بكر العدناني نفعنا الله بهم اجمعين •

The fact that the author frequently refers to the celebrated Shamsaddîn Abu'l-Khair Muhammad Ibn al-Jazarî (d. A.H. 833=A.D. 1429) as his Shaikh and teacher gives us ground for believing that he flourished in the middle of the 9th century of the Hijrah.

After the prefatory note, the work begins with a Fasi, containing short biographical notices of the afore-said Nâti' and Abû 'Amr bin al-'Alâ' al-Baṣrî and their Râwî3 (narrators), Qâlûn and Ad-Dawrî.

The work is divided into 14 Bâb, some of which are subdivided into several short Fasl and Tanbîh.

Written in rough Naskh, with the headings in red. Fol. 2 should come after fol. 10.

Dated A.H 1052=A.D. 1642.

The last folio contains a note, setting forth how Qârûn (Korah) was punished for his three sins, viz., (i) his avarice; (ii) non-payment of Zakât (alms, ordained by the law); and (iii) his slanderous accusation of the Prophet Moses.

No. 1254.

foll. 37; lines 23; size $7\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$.

قطف الازهار السنية من قراءة الائمة الثلائة المرضية

QAȚF AL-AZHÂR AS-SANÎYAH MIN QIRÂ'AT AL-A'IMMAT AŞ-ŞALÂ-ŞAT AL-MARDÎYAH.

A treatise on the various readings of the last three of the ten canonical Qurân-readers.

Author: Zainaddîn Abu'l-Fath Ja'far bin Ibrâhîm bin Ja'far bin Sulaimân as-Sanhûrî عن الدين ابو الفتح جعفو بن ابراهيم بن ابراهيم. He was born at Sanhûr about A.H. 810 — A.D. 1407. He left his native town for Mahallah, where he learnt the Qurân under Abû 'Abdallâh Muḥammad bin 'Umar al-Gamrî al-Maḥallî (d. A.H. 849—A.D. 1445; see Al-Qabas al-Ḥâwî, vol.ii, fol. 91a). He then proceeded to Cairo, where he completed his studies in several branches of Muhammadan literature at the Jâmi' al-Azhar. Throughout his life, he experienced vicissitudes of fortune, periods of

prosperity alternating with periods of poverty. He died in Du'l-Qa'dah, A.H. 894=A.D. 1489. See Al-Qabas al-Hâwî, vol. i, fol. 61a, and Brock., vol, ii, p. 115.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله في الصفات الازلية و الصلاة و السلام على سيدنا محمد خير البرية و بعد فهذا قطف الازهار السنية مس قراءة الائمة الثلاثة المرضية النو *

The names of the three Qurân-readers, whose readings are dealt with in the work, are as follows:—

- 1. Abû Ja'far Yazîd bin al-Qa'qâ' al-Madanî (d. A.H. 129=A.D. 747).
 - 2. Ya'qûb bin Ishâq al-Hadramî (d. A.H. 205=A.D. 821).
- 3. Abû Muḥammad Khalaf bin Hishâm al-Bazzâr al-Kûfî (d. A.H. 229=A.D. 844).

We are told, in the preface, that the present work is based on the following four compositions of Al-Jazarî (d. a.H. 833=a.D. 1429).

- I. Tahbîr at-Taisîr (No. 1220 above).
- II. Kitâb an-Nashr (No. 1243 above).
- III. Taqrîb an-Nashr (see Berlin, No. 658).
- IV. Ad-Durrat al-Mudîyah (No. 1248 above).

Defective at the end. The last folio is wanting.

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in fair Arabian Naskh, but with numerous short lacunæ. The headings are in red.

Not dated; probably 16th century.

The title-page bears the signatures of two former owners of the MS., viz., (i) a certain Abu'l-Faraj al-Muzayyin, and (ii) Kamâladdîn, the son of 'Alî al-Muttaqî (d. A.H. 975=A.D. 1567).

No. 1255.

foll. 164; lines 21; size 8×6 ; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4$.

المكور في ماتواقر س القراآت السبع و تحرو

AL-MUKARRAR FÎ MÂ TAWÂTAR MINA'L-QIRÂ ÂT AS-SAB' WA TAHARRAR.

. A treatise on the various readings of the seven canonical Qurân-readers.

* By Sirâjaddîn Abû Ḥafs 'Umar bin Qâsim bin Muḥammad al-Ansârî al-Muqrî al-Miṣrî, commonly called An-Nashshâr سواج الدين المعرف النشار عمر بن قاسم بن معمد الانصاري المقرئ المصري المعروف بالنشار He wrote several works on the various readings of the Qurân, and died about A.H. 900=A.D. 1495. See Brock., vol. ii, p. 115.

Beginning:-

يقول العبد الفقير المعترف بالتقصيرعمر بن قاسم بن محمد الانصاري المقرى المصري النشار الحمد لله حق حمدة و صلوته و سلامه على محمد خير خلقه و رضى الله عن اصحابه اجمعين و عن لتابعين و تابعيهم باحسان الى يوم الدين و بعد فقد سألذي بعض اصدقائ و من هو من اخواني في الله و احبابي ان اجمع له كتابا في القراآت السبع المتواترة النو *

The author tells us, in the above-quoted extract, that he wrote this work at the request of some of his friends.

For the contents of the work see Berlin, No. 623. For other copies see Râmpûr, p. 55, and Âsafîyah, p. 304.

Written in fair Indian Naskh.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1256.

foll. 217; lines 19; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 6$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 4$.

البدور الزاهرة في القراآت العشرة المتواترة

AL-BUDÛR AZ-ZÂHIRAH FI'L-QIRÂ'ÂT AL-'ASHARAT AL-MUTAWÂTIRAH.

A treatise on the ten authentic readings of the Qurân, by the author of the preceding work.

Beginning:-

اللهم صلى على سيدنا محمد الحمد لله الدي علم الأنسان مالم يعلم فمن شاء اهان و من شاء اكرم النح -

The author tells us, in the preface, that he wrote the present work at the request of some of his friends, for whom he had previously written his work entitled المكرر فيما تواتر من القراآت السبع و تحرر (No. 1255 above).

A note at the end, containing the date of the author's death, runs thus:—

توفى شيخنا و قدوتنا الى الله تعالى الشيخ الامام العالم العلامة الحبر البحر الفهامة المحقق المدقق الحافظ المجتهد سراج الدين ابي حفص عمر الانصاري المقرئ الشافعي مصنف هذا الكتاب وغيرة من كتبه المشهورة في خامس جمادي الاول سنة ٩٧ *

The year of the author's death, inserted after the word ..., is obviously a mistake; it should be 897 or possibly 907.

For other copies see Walîaddîn, No. 8, and Râmpûr, p. 45. See also Hâj. Khal., vol. ii, p. 30, where the author's name is erroneously given as 'Abdallâh instead of 'Umar.

Written in small Naskh.

Dated A.H. 1004 = A.D. 1595.

No. 1257.

foll. 50; lines 23; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

القط المصري

AL-QUȚR AL-MIȘRÎ.

A treatise on the reading of Abû 'Amr bin al-'Alâ' al-Baṣrî (d. A.H. 154=A.D. 771; see Ṭabaqât al-Qurrâ' by Ad-Dahabî, fol. 18^a), as handed down by Ḥafṣ bin 'Umar ad-Dawrî (d. A.H. 246=A.D. 860; see ibid., fol. 42^b) and Abu'sh-Shu'aib Ṣâliḥ bin Ziyâd as-Sûsî (d. A.H. 261=A.D. 874; see ibid., fol. 43^a).

By the same 'Umar bin Qâsim an-Nashshâr al-Mişrî.

The full title of the work, as given in the preface, is as follows:-

القطر المصوي في قراءة الامام ابي عمرو بن العلاء البصوي .

Beginning: -

يقول راجي عفو ربه الكريم الستار عمر بن قاسم بن محمد بن علي الانصاري المصري النشار الحمد لله الذي افزل على عبده الكتاب هدى و فكرى لاولى الالباب و بعد فقد سألني جماعة من اصدقائ وفقني الله و اياهم لما يجب و يرضى ان اعمل لهم معتصراً في قواءة ابي عمرو بن العلاء من روايتى الدوري و السوسي الني *

The work is divided into 17 Bâb. The 17th Bâb, which forms the bulk of the work and is subdivided, according to the number of the Sûrahs of the Qurân, into 114 sections, explains the reading of every Sûrah.

A fragment of the work, containing the first sixteen $B\hat{a}b$, is noticed in Berlin, No. 639. See also Brock., vol. ii, p. 116, and

Hâj. Khal., vol. iv, p. 562

Written in small Arabian Naskh, with the headings in red. Dated Monday, the 20th Jumâdâ II, A.H. 1206=A.D. 1792.

No. 1258.

foll. 26; lines 15; size $9 \times 6\frac{3}{4}$; $6\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$

حزب القرائة HIZB AL-QIRÂ'AT.

A metrical tract containing 673 verses, composed in the same metre and with the same rhymes as the *Ḥirz al-Amânî* of Ash-Shâṭibî (No. 1221 above).

According to a note on the title-page the author, whose name is not known, belonged to Turkey. The note reads thus:—

بدأت بحمد الله في الذكر اولا و اردفت شكرا ثانيسا متفضلا

The work was dedicated to Sultan Bâyazîd II (A.H. 886-918=A.D. 1481-1512), whose name occurs in the following lines on fol. 2^a thus:—

و هذا كتابي قد رسمت لحضوة الامام الهمام العالم العالم العالم العالم العلم و في الارض ظل الله ايضا خليفته و سلطان بن سلطان الى جدة العلى [و] ابن محمد بن مراد و اسمة اولوا الامر اعني بايزيد و ذاالولا

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in fair Naskh, with occasional vowel-points, within red-ruled borders. The headings are in light green.

Dated the 28th Du'l-Hijjah, A.H. 1303 = A.D. 1886.

Scribe: معمد الحواجة.

No. 1259.

foll. 51; lines 19; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3$.

العقد الفريد والدر النضيد

AL-'IQD AL-FARÎD WA'D-DURR AN-NADÎD.

A work on the reading of Nâfi' (d. A.H. 169=A.D. 786), as handed down by his pupil, Qâlûn (d. A.H. 220=A.D. 835).

The full title of the work, as given in the preface, is as follows:-

The author's name is not known. The latest authority quoted, fol. 45^a, is 'Uşmân bin 'Umar bin Abî Bakr an-Nâshirî, who died about A.H. 860=A.D. 1456.

Beginning:-

In the preface, the author tells us that the present work is the first of its kind, no other work exclusively devoted to Qâlûn's Riwâyat (narration) of the reading of Nâfi' being current in his time. The preface is followed by a Fasl, containing short biographical notices of Qâlûn and his teacher, Nâfi'. The fifteen chapters, into which the work is divided, are as follows:—

- (i) باب الا ستعادة , fol. 3b.
- (ii) باب البسملة , fol. 4ª.
- (iii) باب هاء الكناية , fol. 7b.
- (iv) باب المد و القصر, fol. 8a.
- (v) باب الهمزتين من كلمة (v) , fol. 10b.
- (vi) باب الهمرتين من كلمتين fol. 12b.
- (vii) باب الا ظهار و الادغام fol. 15°.
- (viii) باب حروف قربت مخارجها , fol. 16a.
- *(ix) باب احكام الفون الساكن و التنوين (ix) أ

- . fol. 18° , باب الفتح و الأمالة (x) .
 - (xi) بآب الراكت, fol. 18b.
 - (xii) باب اللامات fol. 19b.
- . fol. 20° , باب الوقف على اواخر الكلم و ما يلتحق به في الحكم (xiii)
- (xiv) باب الوقف على موسوم الخط , fol. 21b.
- (xv) باب فرش الحروف , fol. 26b.

The last chapter is arranged according to the Sûrahs of the Qurân, explaining the reading of every Sûrah. The work ends with a <u>Khâtimah</u>, dealing with the importance of the correct pronunciation of the Qurân.

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in fair Arabian Naskh.

Dated Wednesday, the 13th Jumâdâ I, A.H. 1197=A.D. 1783.

.محمّد بن مصطفئ بن علي بن نوفل الشافعي الاحمدي : Scribe

No. 1260.

foll. 5; lines 21; size $7\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

رسالة في ما خالف القراء الثلاثة السبعة

RISÂLAH FÎMÂ KHÂLAFA'L-QURRÂ' AŞ-ŞALÂŞAT AS-SAB'AH.

A pamphlet, enumerating the points in which the three later Qurân-readers, viz., Abû Ja'far Yazîd bin al-Qa'qâ'al-Madanî (d. A.H. 129=A.D. 747), Ya'qûb al-Hadramî (d. A.H. 205=A.D. 821), and Khalaf bin Hishâm al-Bazzâr (d. A.H. 229=A.D. 844), disagree with the seven canonical Qurân-readers.

The MS. contains no clue as to its authorship.

Beginning:-

به ثقتي و عليه توكلى و بعد فهذه الحروف التي خالف القراء الثلاثة فيها السبعة وهم ابو جعفر و يعقوب و خلف و رواتهم ابن وردان و ابن جماز

واويس و روح و استحق و ادريس و فائدتها الاحاطة بجميع القراآت النج ،

Written in minute Naskh, with occasional rubrics.

Dated the 18th Rabî' II, A.H. 1043=A.D. 1633.

.حسين بن على الوقاد : Scribe

No. 1261.

foll. 26; lines 25; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $5\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

انوار الطلعه في مذاهب القراء السبعه

ANWÂR AŢ-ŢAL'AH FÎ MADÂHIB AL-QURRÀ' AS-SAB'AH.

A unique copy of a work, dealing with the various readings of the seven canonical Qurân-readers.

Author: Ahmad bin Muhammad ash-Shawbarî الشوبوي

Beginning:-

الحمد لله الذي هدانا لطاعته و خصنا بالقرآن العظيم و تلاوته و بعد فيقول العبد الفقير الى مولاة الغذي به عما سواة احمد بن محمد الشوبري الازهري قد سألذي بعض الاخوان من اهل الصفا و العرفان المترددين على الى تلاوة القرآن ان اجمع كتابا مختصرا في بيان مذاهب الائمة السبعة اصحاب القرآن المتبعة وان اذكر لكل منهم مذهبا يشتمل على معظم ما له من الاصول مما يجد الطالب به الوصول خال عن الحشو و التطويل غير معترض فيه للدليل و التعليل فاجبته الى سواله طالبا للثواب و رتبته على مقدمة و سبعة ابواب و سميته النوار الطلعه في مذاهب القراء السبعه النو *

The author, who flourished in the earlier part of the 11th century of the Hijrah, was a native of Shawbar (a village in Egypt). He composed the present work, as he states at the end, in the last week of Rajab, A.H. 1009=A.D. 1600. In the following colophon, he is said to be the grandson of Ash-Shinnâwî, probably Muḥammad al-Ahmadî ash-Shinnâwî (d. A.H. 933=A.D. 1527):—

تم الكتاب للامام العالم الولي العارف بالله تعالى شيخفا الشيخ احمد الشوبري سبط الشفاري رحمة الله عليهم *

The author's two sons, Ahmad ash-Shawbari (d. A.H. 1066=A.D. 1656) and Muhammad ash-Shawbari (d. A.H. 1069=A.D. 1659), were distinguished scholars. The former, owing to his great mastery over

the Hanafî doctrines, was called $Ab\hat{u}$ Hanîfat as-Ṣaġîr (the younger Abû Hanîfah); while the latter, on account of his exceptional knowledge of the Shâfi'î tenets, was surnamed $A\underline{sh}$ -Shâfi'î as-Ṣaġîr (the younger Shâfi'î). See Khulâṣat al-Aṣar, vol. i, p. 174.

The work is divided into a Muqaddimah and eight Bâb, as follows:—

Muqaddimah. Fol. 2a.

المقدمة فهى في بيان التجويد و احكامه و ما ينعلق به من معوفة النون الساكفة و التفوين و الوقف و الابتداء و المد و اقسامه و غير ذلك مما يحتاج اليه القارى مما اتفق عليه الائمة رضى الله عنهم اجمعين .

 $B\hat{a}b$ I. Fol. 5°. الله عبد الله مذهب سيدنا نافع بن عبد الله * بن نعيم *

الباب الثاني في مذهب سيدنا عبد الله بن كثير . Bâb II. Fol. 9b. الباب الثاني في مذهب سيدنا عبد الله بن كثير

Bâb III. Fol. 10^{b} . الباب الثالث في مذهب سيدنا ابي عمرو *

Bâb IV. Fol. 14 $^{\rm b}$. الباب الرابع في مذهب سيدنا عبد الله بن $^{\rm c}$

الباب الخامس في مذهب سيدنا عاصم بن ابي . Fol. 16a. الباب الخامس في مذهب سيدنا عاصم بن ابي .

 $B\hat{a}b$ VI. Fol. $16^{\rm b}$. الباب السادس في مذهب سيدنا حمرة الكوفي

الباب السابع في مذهب سيدنا على الكسائي . Fol. 21° الباب السابع في مذهب سيدنا على الكسائي . * الكوفى *

الباب الثامن في ياآت الأضافة Bâb VIII. Fol. 22°.

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in minute Arabian Naskh, with the headings in red. A short lacuna is found on fol. 18a.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1262.

foll. 8; lines 11; size $9 \times 5\frac{1}{4}$; $8 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

[رسالة في القراءة]

[RISÂLAH FI'L-QIRÂ'AT.]

A tract on the various readings of the Qurân.

Author: Ismà'îl bin Sayyid Aḥmad Ja'far aṣ-Ṣânî السمعيل بن سيد الشاء الثاني ال

Beginning:-

الحمد لله الذي انزل القرآن بالقراآت الصحيحة المروية عنه بلا ارتياب و شرف حامليها بالكرامات الجليلة على غير هم من الطلاب اما بعد فيقول احقر مخلوقات حضرة الباري اسمعيل الغريب بن سيد احمد جعفر الثاني اني لما رأيت تشوق بعض الفضلاء المتدينين الى معرفة الجموع الثلثة بالتوضيح و التبئين الفت فيها هذه الرسالة الع

The author, who probably belonged to India and flourished in the middle of the 11th century of the Hijrah, tells us, at the end, that the tract is based on the following two works of his teacher, Shaikh 'Abdallatîf bin Shaikh Jamâl an-Nahrawâlî, viz., (i) Al-Jâmi' al-'Ilmî and (ii) An-Nûr al-Azhar. He further tells us that he thought of writing another more detailed work on the same subject.

The tract was completed, as stated by the author at the end, on Tuesday, the 2nd Shawwâl, A.H. 1045=A.D. 1636.

Written in cursive Naskh, within coloured ruled borders. Dated Thursday, the 5th Shawwâl, A.H. 1114=A.D. 1703.

No.1263.

foll. 106; lines 27; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

الجواهر المكلله

AL-JAWÂHIR; AL-MUKALLALAH.

A work, treating of the various readings of the ten canonical Qurân-readers, being an abridgment of the author's other work, entitled Bahr al-Ma'ânî Wa Kanz as-Sab' al-Maşânî.

The full title of the work, as given in the preface, is as follows:—

الجواهر المكللة لمن رام الطرق المكملة .

Author: Muhammad bin Ahamad al-'Awfi محمد بن احمد العوني. He flourished in the middle of the 11th century of the Hijrah. See Brock., vol. ii, p. 326.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله الذي هدانا لللاوة كتابه المهيمن على كل كتاب انزل و بعد فيقول اضعف عباد الله و احوجهم الى رحمته المغزلة محمد بن احمد العوفي هذا كتاب في القراآت العشرة اختصرته من كتابي المسمى ببحر المعاني و كفز السبع المثاني لمن علمه و تعلمه النج ...

The work was composed, as stated by Brock. (loc. cit.), in A.H. 1049=A.D. 1639.

For the contents of the work see Berlin, No. 666. For other copies see Walfaddîn, No. 15; Cairo, vol. i, p. 95; and Râmpûr, p. 47.

Written in clear Arabian Naskh, within red-ruled borders. Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1264.

foll. 11; lines 25; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

[رساله في التكبير]

[RISÁLAH FI'T-TAKBÎR.]

A tract on the *Takbîr* (the expression, *Allâhu akbar*), which a Qurân-reader must recite either at the beginning or at the end of each Sûrah of the Qurân, based on the *Tayyibat an-Nashr* of Al-Jazarî (No. 1246 above).

Author: Zainaddîn Abu'l-'Azâ'im Sultân bin Aḥmad bin Salâmah bin Ismâ'îl al-Mazzâhî al-Azharî ash-Shâfi'î معلى الوالم العربي الوالمين الوالمين الوالمين الوالمين الموالمين المو

Beginning:-

الحمد لله رب العالمين و العاقبة للمتقين وصلى الله على سيدنا محمد خاتم النبيين و بعد فقد كنت كتبت رسالة لطيفة تشتمل على جميع الارجه التي بين السور للقراء السبع من طريق الشاطبية و الثلاثة ابي جعفر و خلف و يعقوب من طريق الدرة لابن الجزري من سورة و الضحى الى آخر القرآن مع بيان التكبير و الآن قد طلب مذي بعض اصحابنا ان افعل كذاك من طريق الطيبة لابن الجزري إيضا ليكون تذكارا له و لغيرة نفع الله به فاجبته الى ذلك الني *

The tract was completed, as stated by the author at the end, on the 8th Safar, A.H. 1048=A.D. 1638.

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in Arabian Naskh.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1265.

foll. 254; lines 23; size $9\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $7\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$.

غيث النفع في القراآت السبع

ĠAIS AN-NAF' FI'L-QIRÂ'ÂT AS-SAB'.

A work, treating of the various readings of the seven canonical Qurân-readers.

Author: 'Alî an-Nûrî as-Safâqusî علي النوري السفاقسي. He was a disciple of Muḥammad bin Muḥammad al-Afrânî al-Maġribî as-Sûsî (d. A H. 1081=A.D. 1671), to whom he refers in the preface thus:—

و اذا قلت شيخنا فالمراد به العلامة المحقق المدقق الصالح الفاصم سيدي محمد بن محمد الافراني المغربي السوسي نزيل مصرو المتوفى بها رحمه الله تعالى شهيدا بالطاعون اواخر ذى القعدة الحرام سنة واحد و ثمانين و الف •

Our author flourished towards the end of the 11th century of the Hijrah. See Brock., vol. ii, p. 461.

Beginning:

قال الشيخ الفقية الامام العالم العلامة المحقق الولي الصالح سيدي علي المفاقسي رضى الله عنه و نفعنا به و بعلومة آمين الحمد لله الذي انزل القرآن و شوفنا بحفظة و تلاوته الني .

The author, in the preface, condemns the spread of unauthorised and doubtful readings of the Qurân; and says that, although the number of authorised and correct readings of the holy book may exceed seven, he prefers to disregard readings other than the canonical seven.

The following ten preliminary points of the Qirâ'at are discussed in the introduction:—

الأولئ تواتر عن النبي صلى الله عليه و سلم انه .1. Fol .2b قلل ان هذا القرآن انول على سبعة احرف فاقرواً منه *

الثانية مذهب الاصوليين و فقهاء المذاهب الاربعة . II. Fol. 4b. و المحدثين و القراء ان التواتر شرط في صحة القراءة *

- الثالثة شرط المقرى ان يكون مسلما عاقلا بالغا ثقة ... « الثالثة شرط المقرى ان يكون مسلما عاقلا بالغا ثقة ... « مآمونا منابطا خاليا من الفسق و مسقطات المروة *
- الرابعة يجب على كل من يقوأ القوآن ان يخلص ، TV. Fol. 5^b. النية لله ولا يطاب بذلك عرضا من اعواض الدنيا *
 - الخامسة ينبغي له تعسين ميئته و ليحذر من . V. Fol. 6a. الخامسة ينبغي له تعسين ميئته و ليحذر من المنهى عنها *
- السادسة لم يكن فى الصدر الأول هذا الجمع ... VI. Fol. 7°. المتعارف في زماننا بل كانوا الاهتمامهم بالخير و عكوفهم علية يقرون على الشيخ الواحد *
- السابعة للشيوخ في كيفية هذا الجمع ثلاثة مذاهب VII. Fol. 8a.
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 - القاسعة الأبد لكل من اراد القراءة ان يعرف الخلاف ... IX. Fol. 9 الواجب من الخلاف الجائر: *
 - العاشرة اهمل الشاطبي رحمه الله ذكر طرق كتابه انكالا . «X. Fol. 10». على اصله التيسير و نحن نذكرها تتميما للفائدة *

For other copies see Br. Mus., No. 78, and Alger, No. 369. The work has been printed in Cairo, A.H. 1293. Written in small Naskh.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

.عبد الرحمن بن السيد الزيني . Scribe:

No. 1266.

foll. 11; lines 18-21; size $7\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6 \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

[رسالة في القواءة]

[RISÂLAH FI'L-QIRÂ'AT.]

A tract on the reading of Abû 'Amr bin al-'Alâ' al-Baṣrî (d. A.H. 154=A.D. 771), as handed down by Hafs bin 'Umar ad-Dawrî (d. A.H. 246=A.D. 860) and Abu'sh-Shu'aib Şâlih bin Ziyâd as-Sûsî (d. A.H. 261=A.D. 874).

The title of the work and the author's name are not known.

Beginning:-

We are told, in the preface, that the present work is based on the *Kitâb at-Taisîr* of Abû 'Amr ad-Dânî (No. 1215, ii above) and the *Hirz al-Amânî* of Ash-Shâṭibî (No. 1221 above).

Contents:—

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in cursive Naskh.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

Two flyleaves, at the end, contain miscellaneous notes and extracts from other books.

No. 1267.

foll. 18; lines 19; size $9 \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $6 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

القواعد المقررة والفوائد المحررة

AL-QAWÂ'ID AL-MUQARRARAH WA'L-FAWÂ'ID AL-MUḤARRARAH.

A tract, treating of the various readings of the seven canonical Qurân-readers.

Author: Muḥammad bin Qâsim bin Ismā'il al-Baqarî ash-Shāfi î محمد بن قاسم بن اسمعيل البقري الشافعي. He was a great authority on the subject of Qirâ'at, of which he was a professor at the Jâmi' al-Azhar in Cairo. He was born in a.H. 1018=a.d. 1609; and he died in Cairo, according to Brock., vol. ii, p. 327, on the 20th Jumâdâ II, a.H. 1111=a.d. 1699. The 21st Rajab, a.H. 1107=a.d. 1695, is also given as the date of his death. See Silk ad-Durar, vol. iv, p. 35, and Tâj aṭ-Tabaqât, vol. xii, part i, fol. 47b.

Beginning:

يقول المعترف بدنوبه الراجي من ربه ستر عيوبه محمد بن قاسم بن اسمعيل البقري بلدا الشافعي مدهبا الإهري وطنا مستعينا بالله متوكلا عليه الحمد لله على افضاله و اشهد أن لاأله الا الله وحدة لاشريك له و بعد فقد سألفي بعض الاخوان أن أجمع رسالة تشتمل على ما يتعلق بمدهب كل وأحد من القراء بافغرادة سالكا طريق الاختصار فاجبته الى سواله النم *

The title of the tract is not found in the MS.; but the tract is identical with that entitled Al-Qawâ'id al-Muqarrarah Wa'l Fawâ'id al-Muharrarah, a copy of which is noticed in Berlin, No. 624.

The author tells us, in the preface, that the tract contains only what he had collected from the teachings of his Shaikh, 'Abdarraḥmân al-Yamanî (d. A.H. 1050=A.D. 1640; see Khulâsat al-Aşar, vol. ii, p. 358).

Written in fair Naskh.

Not dated; probably 19th century.

. و هبة بن الشيخ صحمد سالم : Scribe

No. 1268.

foll. 218; lines 29; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 6$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

اتحاف فضلاء البشر بالقراآت الإربعة مشر

ITHÂF FUDALÂ' AL-BASHAR BI'L-QIRÂ'ÂT AL-ARBA'AH 'ASHAR.

A work, treating of the fourteen readings of the Qurân.

Author: Aḥmad bin Muḥammad bin Aḥmad bin 'Abdalganî ad-Dimyâţî ash-Shâfi'î, commonly called Al-Bannâ' الحبد بن متعمد الشهير بالبناء. He was born at Dimyât (a town in Egypt) in A.H. 1040=A.D. 1630. He was a great Ṣûfî of the Naqshbandîyah order, and one of the most learned men of his age. Besides the present work, he wrote a treatise on the signs of the end of this world, entitled المنافر المهمة فيما يعجب الأيمان به من المسموعات, and an abridgment of the Insân al-'Uyûn of Alî al-Halabî (d. A.H. 1044=A.D. 1634). He died at Medina on Monday, the 3rd Muḥarram, A.H. 1117=A.D. 1705. See Tâj aţ-Ṭabaqât, vol. xii, part i, fol. 104b, and Brock., vol. ii, p. 327.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله الذي جمع ببديع حكمته اشتات العلوم باوجز كتاب و فتع بمقاليد هدايته مقفلات الفهوم لافصح خطاب و بعد فلما كل عام الاثنين و ثمانين بعد الالف و من الله تعالى بالرحلة الى طيبة المفورة وادها الله تعالى نورا و شرفا النو ...

The author tells us, in the preface, that it was in A.H. 1082=
A.D. 1671, when he was staying at Medina, where a large number of
pupils flocked round him to take lessons in the various readings of
the Qurân, that he formed the project of writing the present work,
and began to collect material from the following authorities:—

- 1. An-Nashr fi'l-Qira'ât al-'Ashr, by Muhammad Ibn al-Jazarî (No. 1243 above).
 - 2. Tayyibat an-Nashr; by the same (No. 1246 above).
- 3. <u>Sharh Tayyibat an-Nashr</u>, by Muḥammad al-'Aqîlî an-Nuwairî *(d. A.H. 837=A.D. 1433).
 - 4. Kitâb al-Latâ'if, by Ahmad bin Muhammad al-Qastallânî (d. A.H. 923=A.D. 1517).

He further tells us that he found very useful the notes which

he had taken down from the lectures of his teacher, Nûraddîn 'Alî ash-Shabrâmallisî (d. a.h. 1087=a.d. 1676).

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The rest of the work is arranged according to the Sûrahs of the Qurân.

For other copies see Râgib Pâshâ, No. 4; Cairo, vol. i, p. 91; Hamîdîyah, No. 15; Ayâ Şûfiyah, No. 32; and Râmpûr, p. 44.

The work has been printed, viz., in A.H. 1285.

Written in minute Naskh, within gold and black-ruled borders; with an illuminated frontispiece.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

.الحاجي مُحمود بن محمّد امين شيخ القراء في اياصوفية : Scribe

No. 1269.

foll. 522; lines 17; size $8\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{3}{4}$; 6×3 .

The Same.

Another copy of the same work.

The first two folios contain a list of the names of eminent Qurân-readers.

Foll. 3, 231, 275-277 and the last two folios are late insertions, having been copied from the preceding MS.

Written in fair Naskh.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1270.

foll. 364; lines 27; size $9\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

Another copy of the same work.

Written in elegant Naskh on glazed paper. Fol. 182b is blank.

Dated A.H. 1261=A.D. 1846.

Scribe: حافظ عبد الرحمٰن بن حسن.

No. 1271.

foll. 156; lines 15; size $6\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{3}{4}$.

القواءن السنيه

AL-QAWÂID AS-SANÎYAH.

A treatise on the reading of 'Âsim bin Abi'n-Najûd (d. A.H. 128= A.D. 746; see Mir'ât al-Janân, fol. 67^{b}), as handed down by his pupil, Hafs bin Sulaiman (d. A.H. 180=A.D. 796; see *ibid*., fol. 97°), based on the *Hirz al-Amânî* of Ash-Shâtibî (No. 1221 above).

Author: Ibrâhîm bin Ismâ'îl al-'Adawî الراهيم بن السمعبل العدوى, * a disciple of Abu'l-Mawâhib bin Abdalbâqî al-Hanbalî (d. A.H. 1126=
A.D. 1714; see Silk ad-Durar, vol. i, p. 67). He died about A.H.
1140=A.D. 1727. See Berlin, No. 649.

Beginning:-

الحمد الله الذي انزل القرآن العظيم رحمة للاصة و تيسيرا و فهمنا طرق قراءته و بعد فقد سألذي من خص بمزيد التوفيق و العذاية و حظى بالتحقيق و الولاية ان اجمع قراءة حفص عن عاصم من طريق ولى الله الشاطبي النه •

We learn from the preface that, in A.H. 1078=A.D. 1668, the author had already written a treatise on the same subject, and had incorporated therein the work of his aforesaid teacher, Abu'l-Mawâhib al-Ḥanbalî. For this treatise see Berlin, No. 649.

The work is divided into two Naw', the first being subdivided into fifteen Bâb as follows:—

ىاب الاستعاذة	Fol. 3b.	I.
باب البسملة	Fol. 5 ^a .	II.
ناب الأدعام	Fol. 6a.	III.
باب هاء الكنابة	Fol. 6 ^b .	IV.
ناب الهد و القصو	Fol. 8a.	v.
ىاب الهمزتين من كلمة	Fol. 11 ^a .	VI.
باب الهمزتين من كلمتين	Fol. 16a.	VII.
ناب الهمز المفرد	Fol. 18 ^a .	VIII.
ناب الاظهار و الادغام	Fol. 21a.	IX.
باب احكام النون الساكنة و التنوين	Fol. 24 ^b .	X.
باب الفتع و الامالة	Fol. 26a.	XI.
باب الوقف على اواخر الكلم	Fol. 29 ^b .	XII.
باب الوقف على موسوم الخط	Fol. 31b.	XIII.

XIV. Fol. 37b.

إباب ياآت الاضافة

XV. Fol. 43a.

· باب ياآت الزوائد

The second Naw is arranged according to the Sûrahs of the Qurân, explaining the reading of every Sûrah.

At the end, the author traces his *Isnâd* (chain of successive teachers) to two great authorities on the subject of Qirâ'at, viz., (i) Abû 'Amr ad-Dânî (d. A.H. 444=A.D. 1053), and (ii) Abu'l-Qâsim ash-Shâṭibî (d. A.H. 590=A.D. 1194).

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in small and fair Naskh, with the headings in red. Slightly water-stained.

Dated A.H. 1098=A.D. 1687.

No. 1272.

foll. 197; lines 13-17; size $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

الائتلاف نى وجوة الاختلاف AL-I'TILÂF FÎ WUJÛH AL-IKHTILÂF.

A work on the discrepancies, which occur in the ten readings of the Qurân, arranged according to Sûrahs on the same lines as the *Tayyibat an-Nashr* of Al-Jazarî (No. 1246 above).

Author: 'Abdallâh bin Muḥammad bin Yûsuf bin 'Abdalmannân al-Ḥilmî al-Ḥanafî, better known as Yûsuf Âfindîzâdah عبد الله بن عبد البنان العلمي العنفي الشهير بيوسف آفندي زادة. He was born at Constantinople in A.H. 1081=A.D. 1671. He received his early education from his father, and subsequently completed it under celebrated masters of his native city. After completing his education, he attached himself to Sulţân Aḥmad III (A.H. 1115-1143=A.D. 1703-1730) and then to Sulţân Maḥmûd I (A.H. 1143-1168=A.D. 1730-1754), both of whom showered upon him marks of respect and favour. For some time he officiated as Imâm of Jâmi' Nakhlband; and he was then appointed Mufassir of the Dâr al-Kutub, which was built by Sulţân Maḥmûd within the precincts of his new palace. He was munificently rewarded by the Sulţân for his commentary on Al-Jâmi' aṣ-Ṣaḥîḥ of Al-Bukhârî, entitled Najāḥ al-Qârî, in thirty volumes. He also wrote a commentary on

the Al-Jâmi aṣ-Ṣaḥiḥ of Al-Muslim and a gloss on Al-Baiḍâwi's commentary on the Qurân. He was a great scholar, and held in much esteem at the Turkish capital, where he died on Monday, the 16th Rabî II, A.H. 1167=A.D. 1754. See Tâj aṭ-Ṭabaqât, vol. xii, part ii, fol. 83b, and Silk ad-Durar, vol. iii, p. 87.

Beginning:-

الحمد للله الذي انزل القرآر على سبعة احرف اما بعد فيقول العبد الفقير الى عناية ربه القدير عبد الله بن محمد الشهير بيوسف أفندي زادة يسر الله بالخير ما زادة لقد طال ما جال في خلدي ان اجمع على ترتيب السور القرآنية بعض الآيات التي اجتمع فيها الاختلاف من الوجوة و الروايات من قراآت الائمة العشر على طريقة طيبة النشر و اطبقها على الطرق التي جاء منها ذلك الاختلاف حتى يحصل بينها الالتيام و الائتلاف لكن كان يعوقني العوائق عن ذلك الامر اللائق الفائق الى ان يشير الى بدلك من المشتغلين بهذا الفن لدى من هو صالح لان يعتد بشأنه و مستعد لان يلقى اليه مانحن بصدد جمعه و بيانه فشرعت فيه متوكلا على الله و مستعينا في جميع اموري بالله و سميته الائتلاف في جميع اموري بالله و سميته الائتلاف في جميع اموري بالله و سميته الائتلاف في

No other copy of the work is known.

The work ends with the following epilogue:-

هذا ما تيسرلي من جميع الوجوة لبعض القراء و الرواة في بعض الآيات القرانية على ترتيب السورة الفرقانية على ما اخذنا من افواة المشائخ الكرام و الائمة الاعلام مع تطبيق الطرق على قدر الامكان و أن كان يضيق عن أحاطتها فطاق البيان •

The colophon, which is in Turkish, runs thus:—

کاتب هذا الائتلاف خواجه زاده ساکن بکبه جیلرحانند السید حملة
القرآن محمد امین سنه بیک یوزینمش یدی جمادی الآخرك اوجنجی
کنی اتمام او لمشدر تمت *

Written in fair Naskh, within red-ruled borders; with an illuminated frontispiece.

Fol. 40° is blank, but there is no break in the context. Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1273.

foll. 133; lines 27; size 8×6 ; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$.

مرش الطلبه

MURSHID AT-TALABAH.

A treatise on the various readings of the ten eminent Qurânreaders, arranged according to Sûrahs on the same lines as the Tayyibat an Nashr of Al-Jazarî (No. 1246 above).

Author: Aḥmad ar-Rushdî, better known as Yûsuf Imâm Âfindîzâdah أحمد الرشدي العريف بيوسف اصام آفندي, a Turkish scholar, who flourished in the latter part of the twelfth century of the Hijrah.

Beginning:

الحمد لله رب العالمين حمدا يوافي نعمه و يكافي مزيدة و بعد فهدة رسالة العبد الفقير الحقير المعترف بالعجز و التقصير خادم القرآن العظيم احمد الرشدي العريف بين الاقران بيوسف امام أفذدي زادة يسرة الله تعالى بالتخير ما ارادة النح ...

In the preface, the author tells us that he learnt the science of Qirâ'at from Muḥammad Âfindî, better known as Hâjjîzâdah, who was a professor at the College of Shaikh Mashâ'ikh al-Islâm Muḥammad As 'ad Âfindî (d. A.H. 1166=A.D. 1752; see Brock., vol. ii, p. 424). The author also tells us, in the preface, that he was a professor for a long time at Jâmi' Abi'l- Futûh; and it was there that the present work was composed, at the request of some of his pupils. Three authorities (which appear to be contemporary works) are cited as the sources of the present treatise, viz., (i) رسالة شيخ علي المناف ; (ii); المنصوري by Yûsuf Âfindîzâdah (No. 1272 above); and (iii) بدائع البرهان by Muṣṭafâ al-Izmîrî (d. A.H. 1152=A.D. 1739; see Brock., vol. ii, p. 440).

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in a minute Naskh. Omissions in the text are supplied in the margins.

*Not dated; probably 19th century.

No. 1274.

foll. 25; lines 21; size $9\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; 6×4 . (Two short treatises bound together.)

foll. 1-16.

1.

غنية الفقير

GUNYAT AL-FAQÎR.

A short treatise on the Takbîr (the expression, Allâhu akbar) and other prayers, which a Qurân-reader should recite either at the beginning or at the end of each Sûrah of the Qurân, based on the Tayyibat an-Nashr of Al-Jazarî (No. 1246 above). The full title of the work, as stated in the preface, is as follows:—

غنية الفقير لما للطيبة من التكبير *

Author: Ahmad bin 'Abdalmun'im bin Khayyâm ash-Shâfi'î ad-Damanhûrî الحبد بن عبد الهنع بن خيام الشانعي الدمنهوري. He was born about a.h. 1090=a.d. 1679. The author of the Silk ad-Durar (vol. i, p. 117) describes him as a great scholar, deeply versed in the various readings of the Qurân, and in several other branches of Muhammadan literature. He was appointed Principal of the Jâmi' al-Azhar. He wrote several works, and died in a.h. 1192=a.d. 1778. See silk ad-Durar (loc. cit.).

Beginning:-

الحمد لله الذي منحنا حفظ كتابه المبين و اتحفنا بمعرفة قدر رواياته عن الائمة المتقين النو *

The work is divided into four Fasl and a Khâtimah, as follows:

الفصل الأول في سبب ورود التكبير I. Fol. 1b.

الفصل الثاني في ذكر من ورد عنه و اين ورد و صيغته كل و II. Fol. 2a.

الفصل الثالث في صيغته و حكم الاتيان به و سببه . III. Fol. 3ª.

الفصل الرابع في امور تتعلق بختم القرآن العظيم IV. Fol. 7ª.

الخاتمة في مسائل منثورة اخذتها عن شيخنا . Khâtimah. Fol. 9b

الشيخ عبد الجواد الميداني و استاذنا الشيخ

احمد بن الخبارة *

foll. 17-25.

II.

فوالد في علم القراآت FAWÂ'ID FÎ 'ILM AL-QIRÂ'ÂT.

A short treatise on the various readings and correct pronunciation of the Quran, based on the Tayyibat an-Nashr of Al-Jazari (No. 1246 above).

The author's name is not known. He occasionally refers to Ahmad al-Isqâtî (d. A.H. 1132=A.D. 1720; see Silk ad-Durar, vol. i, p. 149) as his Shaikh, and to Sultân al-Mazzâhî (d. A.H. 1075=A.D. 1665) as his teacher's teacher.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله رب العالمين و الصلاة و السلام على سيدنا صحمد و آله

اجمعين و بعد فهدُه فوائد في علم القراآت من طريق الطيبة و غيرها النج ،

The work is divided into numerous short Masá'il.

Both treatises are written by the same scribe, in Arabian Naskh, with the headings in red.

Dated A.H. 1204=A.D. 1790.

No. 1275.

foll. 30; lines 23; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 4$.

الثغر الباسم في قراءة عاصم

AŞ-ŞAĞAR AL-BÂSIM FÎ QIRÂ'AT. 'ÂSIM.

A treatise on the reading of the Qurân, according to 'Âṣim (d. A.H. 128=A.D. 746) and his two pupils, viz., Shu'bah (A.H. 160=A.D. 777) and Ḥafṣ (d. A.H. 180=A.D. 796), derived from Ash-Shâṭi-bîyah (No. 1221 above).

Author: 'Alî 'Aṭîyah Abû Muṣliḥ al-Ġamrînî ash-Shâfi'î al-Azharî علي عطية ابو مصلح الغمريني الشافعي الازهري.

Beginning:-

حمدا لمن اصطفى من عبادة اهل كتابة و خصهم بمزايا بين العباد فهم خلاصة احبابه و بعد فيقول راجى عفو ربه العلي علي عطية

ابو مصلح الغمريذي الشافعي الإهري وفقه الله و غفر له و لمن والاه هذه مقدمة في قراءة عاصم الكوفي و راوييه شعبة و حفص من طريق ولى الله تعالى محمد بن قاسم الشاطبيو سميتها الثغر الباسم في قراءة عاصم النو *

The author, who flourished towards the end of the twelfth century of the Hijrah, tells us, in the preface, that he was assisted in writing the present work by his teacher. 'Alî al-Badrî (d. A.H. 1190=A.D. 1776; see Silk ad-Durar, vol. iii, p. 257). Our author also quotes frequently from the works of As-Sayyid 'Alî al-Muqrî (d. A.H. 1169=A.D. 1756) and Muḥammad bin Ḥasan al-Munayyir (d. A.H. 1199=A.D. 1785), each of whom he calls his Shaikh and teacher.

The work ends with a <u>Khâtimah</u>, containing a prayer to be recited after finishing the reading of the Qurân.

The work was completed, as stated by the author in the colophon, on Monday, the 5th Du'l-Hijjah, A.H. 1188=A.D. 1775.

An incomplete copy of the work is noticed in Cairo, vol. i, p. 94.

The present copy, dated the 6th $\underline{D}u'l$ -Qa'dah, A.H. 1190 = A.D. 1776, was transcribed two years after the composition of the work.

Written in small Arabian Naskh, with marginal notes.

Scribe: معدد هيكل الدردي.

No. 1276.

foll. 172; lines 11; size $6\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$; $4\frac{1}{4} \times 3$.

The Same.

Another copy of the same work, beginning as the above.

The author's colophon, containing the date of composition, is not found in this copy.

Written in fair Naskh, within double red-ruled borders.

Dated the 15th Rajab, A.H. 1295=A.D. 1878.

Scribe: احمد جلال الدين.

No. 1277.

foll. 12; lines not uniform in number; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$.



MASÂ'IL SHATTÂ.

An anonymous pamphlet, containing rules important to all students of Qirâ'at and Tajwîd.

The rules are extracted from the following works, to which the author refers at the end of the quotations:—

- 1. At-Taisîr, by Abû 'Amr 'Uşmân bin Sa'îd ad-Dânî (No. 1215, ii above).
 - 2. Zubdat al-Furgân.
- 3. Al-Mukarrar, by Sirâjaddîn Abû Hafs an-Nashshâr (No. 1255 above).
- 4. Al-Hawâshî al-Mufhimah, by Abû Bakr Ahmad (No. 1296 below).
- 5. Kanz al-Ma'ânî, by Ibrâhîm bin 'Umar al-Ja'barî (No. 1230 above).
- 6. Sharh ad-Durr al-Yatîm, by Mullâ 'Alî al-Qârî (d. A.H. 1014 = A.D. 1605).
- 7. Durr al-Afkâr, by Muḥammad bin Aḥmad al-'Awfî (who died about A.H. 1050=A.D. 1640).
- 8. Tahdîb al-Qirâ'at, by Muḥammad Sâchaqlîzâdah al-Mar'ashî (d. A.H. 1150=A.D. 1737; see Râġib Pâṣhâ, No. 7).

Beginning:-

اعلم أن الكسامى كان يقف على ها، التانيث و ما ضارعها في اللفظ بالامالة الا أن يقع قبل الهاء أحد من عشرة أحرف الطاء وظوص وضو حرع وق و الف وخوغ النو *

On fol. 6^b is a list of the names of the Imâms of Qirâ'at, with the dates of their death and particulars of the places where they flourished. On the next page is given a list of the names of the persons, who trace their Isnad (chain of successive teachers) to these Imâms.

Written in fair Naskh. Fol. 7^b is blank. Not dated; probably 19th century.

No. 1278.

foll. 88; lines 21; size $9\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $6 \times 3\frac{1}{4}$.

الفوز العظيم في شرح فقح الكريم

AL-FAWZ AL-'AZÎM FÎ SHARH FATH AL-KARÎM.

A commentary on the author's own metrical treatise on the various readings of the ten eminent Qurân-readers, entitled Fath al-Karîm.

Author: Muḥammad al-Mutawallî ash-Shâfi'î al-Khalwatî al-Azharî معمد المتولي الشافعي الخلوني الأزهري, a great Ṣûfî, belonging to the Khalwatiyah order. He held the post of professor in the Jâmi' al-Azhar, and wrote several works on the subject of Qirâ'at. Besides the present work he wrote, as he states on fol. 4b, an abridgment of the Kitâb an-Nashr of Ibn al-Jazarî (No. 1243 above) in three parts, each having a separate title, as follows:—

- . تهذيب النشر و خزانة القراآت العشر (i)
- . فتم الرحمٰن في تجويد القرآن (ii)
- ايضاح الدلالات في ضابط ما يجوز من القراآت و يسوغ من الروايات (iii)

He also wrote two other works, viz., (i) القبالة المسفرة في المسفرة في المسلم, which has been lithographed in Cairo, A.H. 1308, and (ii) بنتج المعطي و غنية المقرئ , which is a commentary on the author's own tract, entitled المقدمة, of which both text and commentary have been lithographed in Cairo, A.H. 1309. He died in A.H. 1313=A.D. 1895. See Iktifâ' al-Qunû', pp. 121 and 123.

Beginning:-

الحدد لله الذي ارسل رسولة بالبدئ و الدين القويم رحمة للعالمين مؤيدا بالآيات و الذكر الحكيم اما بعد فيقول اسير وصمة ذنبه و فقير رحمة ربة محمد المتولي الشافعي الخلوتي بلغة الله جميع مأمولة بجالا نبية و رسولة لما من الله على بانشاء هذا النظم المسمئ بفتح الكريم في تحرير اوجة القرآن شرح صدري لان ازينة بتعليق لطيف لكل قاصر مثلي ضعيف و سميتة الفوز العظيم في شرح فتم الكريم النم •

The first verse of the text runs thus:-

From verses 5 and 6 and the accompanying commentary we learn that the text is really a metrical version of the Tayyibat an-Nashr of Ibn al-Jazarî (No. 1246 above), of whose life a brief sketch is given. In his commentary on verses 8 and 9, the author tells us that he consulted three other works, viz., (i) Kitâb an-Nashr of Ibn al-Jazarî (No. 1243 above); (ii) Badâ'i' al-Burhân of Mustafâ bin 'Abdarraḥmân al-Izmîrî (d. A.H. 1152=A.D. 1739); and (iii) 'Umdat al-Furqân fî Wujûh al-Qurân, by the same Al-Izmîrî (see Berlin, No. 667).

The text was completed, as stated by the author on fol. 86°, in the month of Rabî 'II, A.H. 1284=A.D. 1867; and the commentary was finished, according to the colophon, on Saturday, the 16th Ṣafar, A.H. 1288=A.D. 1871.

The colophon reads thus:-

تم هذا الكتاب في يوم السبت المبارك ستة عشر خلت من شهر صفر سنة ثمانية و ثمانين و مأتين و الف و كان الفراغ من فقل هذه النسخة المباركة يوم الثلاث تاسع ذى الحجة ختام عام سنة ١٢٩٠.

الف [sic تسعين] و مأتين و الف من هجرة من له العز و الشرف *

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in fair Arabian Naskb, with quotations from the text in red.

Dated A.H. 1290=A.D. 1873.

.احمد [بن] خلف الطهويهي المالكي : Scribe

ORTHOGRAPHY OF THE QURÂN.

No. 1279.

foll. 52; lines 21; size $9\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $5\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$.

كتاب المقنع

KITÂB AL-MUQNI'.

A treatise on the orthography of the copies of the Qurân sent by 'Uşmân, the third Caliph (A.H. 23-35=A.D. 644-656), to the chief Muslim cities.

By Abû 'Amr 'Uşmân ad-Danî (d. A.H. 444=A.D. 1053), for some account of whom see No. 1214 above.

Beginning:-

قال الحافظ ابو عمور عثمان بن سعيد بن عثمان المقرئ الداني رضى الله عنه و ارضاه الحمد لله الذي اكرمنا بكتابه المنزل و شرفنا بنبيه المرسل هذا كتاب اذكر فيه أن شاء الله تعالى ما سمعته من مشيختي و رويته عن ائمتي من مرسوم خطوط مصلحف أهل الامصار المدينة و المكة و الكوفة و البصرة و سائر العراق الني *

For the contents of the work see Berlin, No. 419. For other copies see S. de Sacy, Notices et Extraits, vol. viii, pp. 290-332; Br. Mus. Suppl. No. 83; Wien, No. 1624; Paris, No. 593; Leyden, No. 1635; Walîaddîn, No. 39. See also Brock., vol. i, p. 407, and Hâj. Khal., vol. vi, p. 95.

Foll. 43^b-52^b contain a supplement by the same author, entitled Kitâb an-Nuqai. It begins with a short prefatory note, in which the author tells us that, after completing the Kitâb al-Muqni, he considered it necessary to add the following nine chapters on the rules regarding diacritical points:—

Fol. 43^{b} . حمن نقط المصلحف من التابعين و من كوة ذلك $Fol. 44^{b}$. باب ذكر مواضع الحركات من الحروف و تراكب التنوين * و تتابعه *

باب ذكر تحكم النون الساكنة و ما بعدها

Fol. 46b.

 Fol. 47a.
 باب ذكر احكام المظهر و الهدغم

 * Fol. 49a.
 باب ذكر احكام الصلات في الفات الوصل

 Fol. 49b.
 باب ذكر احكام نقط ما زاد في هجائه

 Fol. 50a.
 باب ذكر امتحان مواضع الهوزات من الكلم

 Fol. 51a.
 باب ذكر اللام الف

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No other copy of the above supplement is known.

Written in fair Naskh, with the headings in red.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

Slightly worm-eaten.

The title-page contains a seal, bearing the inscription لسان السلطان محمود الدولة منشى محمد صفدر عليخان بهادر.

No. 1280.

foll. 48; lines 18; size $8\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$; 6×3 .

The Same.

A defective copy of the same work, beginning as the above. After the first folio there are several folios wanting. The supplementary portion is also wanting.

Written in fair Naskh. Slightly worm-eaten.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

The title-page contains the seal and signature of a certain Zainaddîn Ahmad Khân Bahadur, dated A.H. 1229=A.D. 1814.

No. 1281.

foll. 75; lines 21; size $9 \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

الوسيله الي كشف العقيله

AL-WASÎLAH ILÂ KASHF AL-'AQÎLAH.

An old and remarkable copy of a commentary on the Aqîlatu Atrâb al-Qasâ'id, or metrical treatise on the proper orthography of the Qurân, by Abû Muhammad al-Qâsim ash-Shâtibî (d. A.H. 590=A.D. 1194).

The author of the commentary does not reveal his name; but in the preface he calls the author of the text his teacher. We know him to have been 'Alamaddîn Abu'l-Ḥasan 'Alî bin Muḥammad bin 'Abdaṣṣamad as-Sakhâwî علم الدين ابر العسن علي بن محمد بن عبد الصد العالم. He died in A.H. 643=A.D. 1245. For some account of his life, see No. 1224 above.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله الذي بدأ المنى و اعادها و اسبغ النعم و افادها و بعد فان الله تعالى جعل الكتابة من اجل صفائع البشر و اعلاها النج *

For other copies see Wien, No. 1634; Berlin, No. 495; Paris, No. 610; Br. Mus. Suppl., No. 89; S. de Sacy, Notices et Extraits, vol. viii, p. 336; Cairo, vol. i, p. 47; and Râmpûr p. 56. See also Brock., vol. i, p. 410, and Hâj. Khal., vol. iv, p. 244.

Written in fair Naskh; with some marginal notes. The quotations from the text are in red. Slightly worm-eaten and water-stained.

Dated Friday, the 2nd Du'l--Qa'dah, A.H. 807=A.D. 1405. Scribe: علي بن محمود بن محمد الملقب بصائغ الشيرازي. The title-page contains the following three notes:—

I. A note by 'Alî bin Sulţân Muḥammad al-Harawî, the well-known scholar and the author of several works, who died in A.H. 1014=A.D. 1605, stating that the MS. once belonged to him:—

ملكة بالشراء الشرعي افقر عباد الله الملك الغذي علي بن سلطان محمد الهروي لطف الله بهما بلطفة الخفي *

II. A note by 'Alamallâh bin 'Abdarrazzâq al-Hanafî, stating that he purchased the MS. from the above-mentioned 'Alî bin Sultân Muhammad al-Harawî:—

فاز بملكة بالشراء الشرعي صفة سلمة الله و ابقاة الفقير الى الله الغذي علم الله بن عبد الرزاق الحذفي *

ÎII. A note in Persian, dated the 1st Du'l-Ḥijjah, A.H. 1022= A.D. 1613, stating that the MS. was secured for a certain library (see below) after the death of Shaikh 'Alamallah (the writer of the second note):—

كتاب الوسيلة في شرح قصيدة العقيلة بخط نسخ جلد سياة شكسته بابت از تركة شيخ علم الله جمع كتاب خانة معمورة شدة بتأريخ غرة ماة دى الحجة سنَّة ١٠٢٢.

This note is followed by a seal bearing the name of 'Abdarrahîm Kkan, most probably the celebrated 'Abdarrahîm Khan, who bore the title of Khan Khanan. He was the son of Bairam Khan, the first prime minister of the emperor Akbar (a.h. 963-1014=a.d. 1556-1605), and died in a.h. 1036=a.d. 1627. Hence the library referred to in the note is evidently that of Khan Khanan.

The title-page also contains four seals, bearing the name of Qâdî Muḥammad Shari'atallâh Khân, dated A.H 1211=A.D. 1797.

No. 1282.

foll. 12; lines 21; size $9\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

هداية المرتاب وغاية الحفاظ والطلاب

HIDÂYAT AL-MURTÂB WA ĠÂYĀT AL-ḤUFFÂZ WA'Ţ-ṬULLÂB.

A versified tract on the orthography of the Qurân. All such words as may be confounded with one another in reading are alphabetically arranged, with references to the Sûrahs in which they occur.

Author: 'Alamaddîn Abu'l-Ḥasan 'Alî bin Muḥammad bin 'Abdaṣṣamad as-Sakhāwî علم الدين ابو العسن علي بن معمد بن عبد الصدد (d. A.H. 643=A.D. 1245), for some account of whom see No. 1224 above.

Beginning:-

قال السخاوي علي ناظماً كان له الله الرحيم راحما التحمد لله التحميد الصمد مغرل الذكر على محمد

The tract consists of 425 verses, as stated in the last verse:—

For other copies see Berlin, No. 710; Br. Mus. Suppl., No. 95, v; Cairo, vol. i, p. 119; Râmpûr, p. 56; and Âsafîyah, p. 304. See also Hâj. Khal., vol. vi, p. 497, and Brock., vol. i, p. 410.

Written in Arabian Naskh.

Dated Friday, the 22nd Rajab, A.H. 1267=A.D. 1851.

.عبد الحى [بن] موسئ [بن] عمر القريطي الشافعي .

The title-page contains a seal, bearing the name of 'Abdalhamîd Nâfi'.

No. 1283.

foll. 9; lines 1,; size $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

روضة الطرائف في رسم المصاحف

RAWDAT AŢ-ṬARÂ'IF FÎ RASM AL-MAŞÂḤIF.

A versified work on the proper orthography of the Quran.

Author: Burhânaddîn Abu'i-'Abbâs Ibrâhîm bin 'Umar bin Ibrâhîm bin Khalîl al-Ja'barî ar-Raba'î مبرهان الدين ابر العباس ابراهيم عمر بن ابراهيم بن خليل الجعبري الربعي الربعي الربعي داله. (d. A.H. 732=A.D. 1332; see Lib. Cat., vol. xii, No. 706).

Beginning:-

الله احمد علام الغيوب على آلائه حمد راجي العفو مبتهلا

The last verse runs thus:-

يضوع مسكا ذكيا مؤنقا زهرا مطيبا طيبه الابكار و الاصلا

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in fair Arabian Naskh, with occasional vowel points. Foll. 2-3 should follow fol. 9.

Dated the Madrasah Nûrîyah, Ba'labakk, Tuesday, the 3rd Muharram, A.H. 726=A.D. 1325.

. شهاب الدين احمد بن ابراهيم بن صالر البعلي : Scribe

The title-page contains the author's autograph note, stating that the MS. was read in his presence by the scribe, Shihâbaddîn Ahmad bin Ibrâhîm bin Şâlar al-Ba'lî, whom he authorised to publish the work. The note reads thus:—

قرأ على هذه روضة الطرائف في رسم المصاحف الشينج العالم العامل الفاضل الاديب الفقيم المقرى شهاب الدين احمد بن ابراهيم بن صالر البعلي قراءة جيدة و اجزت له روايتها بشرطها كتبه فاظمها إبراهيم بن عمر بن ابراهيم التجعبري التخايلي حامدا و مصليا *

No. 1284.

foll. 110; lines 9; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6$; $5 \times 2\frac{1}{4}$.

مورد الظمأن

MAWRID AZ-ZAM'ÂN.

A metrical treatise on the orthography of the Qurân, containing altogether 514 verses.

Author: Abû 'Abdallâh Muḥammad bin Muḥammad bin Ibrâhîm bin 'Abdallâh al-Umawî ash Sharîshî al-Kharrâzî ابو عبد الله محمد بن ابراهيم بن عبد الله الاموي الشريشي الخرازي. He lived in the earlier part of the 8th century of the Hijrah. Some account of his life is given by his disciple, Abû Muḥammad 'Abdallâh bin 'Umar as-Ṣanhâjî, in the preface of At-Tibyân (No. 1285 below), where he is described as the foremost Qurân-reader of Fez, especially versed in the readings handed down by Nâfi' (d. A.H. 169=A.D. 786). Besides the present work, he wrote a metrical treatise on the various readings of the Qurân, entitled 'Umdat al-Bayân, and several other works in prose and verse. His forefathers were natives of Sharîsh (a town in Andalusia); but he himself settled permanently at Fez, where he died and was buried in the cemetery of Al-Jîziyîn.

Beginning:-

The work is based, as stated by the author in the preface, on the following four authorities:—

- 1. Al-Muqni', by Abû 'Amar ad-Dânî (No. 1279 above).
- 2. 'Aqîlatu Atrâb al-Qaṣâ'id, by Ash-Shâṭibî (d. а.н. 590 = а.р. 1194).
- 3. At-Tanzîl, by Abû Dâ'ûd Sulaimân bin Najâh al-Balansî (d. A.H. 496=A.D. 1103; see Tabaqât al-Qurrâ', by Ad-Dahabî, fol. 102a).
- 4. Al-Munsif, by Abu'l-Ḥasan 'Alî bin Muḥammad al-Murâdî al-Balansî (who lived about A.H. 563=A.D. 1168; see At-Tibyân, fol. 26b).

The work was completed, as stated by the author at the end, in A.H. 703=A.D. 1304.

For other copies see Alger, Nos. 386-9, 394 and 411. See also Brock., vol. ii, p. 248.

Written in clear and bold Arabian Naskh, within double redruled borders. The headings of the chapters, which are also in verse, are in red. Not dated; probably 17th century.

• The title-page contains the seals and signature of a certain Jalâladdîn.

No. 1285.

foll. 178; lines 33; size $10 \times 5\frac{3}{4}$; $7\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

التبيان في شرح مورد الظمأن

AT-TIBYÂN FÎ SHARH MAWRID AZ-ZAM'ÂN.

A commentary on the preceding work, composed in A.H. 744= A.D. 1344.

The author's name, as given in the beginning, is Muḥammad bin 'Abdallâh aṣ-Ṣanhâjî محمد بن عبد الله الصلهاجي; but in Brock., vol. ii, p. 248, he is called Abû Muḥammad 'Abdallâh bin 'Umar aṣ-Ṣanhâjî. He was a disciple of the author of Mawrid az--zam'ân, and lived in the middle of the 8th century of the Hijrah.

Beginning:

صلّى الله على سيدنا و مولانا محمد الكريم و على آلة و صحبة و سلم تسليما كثيرا يقول العبد الفقير الراجي الى رحمة ربه و عفوة و غفرانه محمد بن عبد الله الصنهاجي الحمد لله الملك الديان الرحيم الرحمٰن القديم الاحسان الواسع الغفران الحفان المفان ذى العظمة و السلطان النج *

The author, in the preface, after dwelling on the importance of the art of writing, describes minutely the occasion of the composition of the present commentary. He tells us that it was begun in the life-time of the author of Mawrid az-Zam'ân, but the work was dropped for some time, and was taken up again on the earnest persuasion of his friends and pupils in A.H. 744=A.D. 1344. He further tells us that he had studied the Mawrid az-Zam'ân with its author, and that his copy of this work, which he transcribed from' the original, begins as follows:—

قال عبيد الله محمد بن محمد بن ابراهيم بن محمد بن عبد الله الأمرى الشريشي. Then he gives a short biographical notice of the author of the Mawrid az-Zam'ân; and says that he tried hard to ascertain the precise dates of his birth and death, but unsuccessfully.

The colophon reads thus:-

انتهى الشرح بحمد الله تعالى وصلى الله على سيدنا و نبيغا و مولا [نا] محمد الكريم وعلى آله وصحبه وسلم تسليما وكان الفراغ مغه يوم الجمعة و هو الاول من شهر صغر المبارك من عام اربعة وتسعين وسبعمائة فرحم الله كاتبه و قارية و ناظمه و ناظره و من دعا اللهم بالرحمة آمين يا رب العالمين *

On the margin of the last folio, there is a note to the effect that the date, A.H. 794=A.D. 1392, given in the colophon, is not that of the present MS. but of the copy from which it was transcribed. Though the note is in a later hand, we may accept it as correct; and the paper and handwriting indicate that the present copy was made towards the end of the 16th century.

A copy of the work is noticed in Alger, No. 389/15.

Written in Arabian Naskh, quotations from the text being indicated by a red line above the words. The correct order of the folios should be as follows: 1-32, 40, 34-39, 33, 41-136, 144, 138-143, 137, 145-178. A large gap is found on fol. 104a.

The title-page contains a seal, bearing the inscription عبد الباقي dated A.H. 1118 = A.D. 1706.

No. 1286.

foll. 101; lines 15; size $7\frac{3}{4} \times 5$; $4\frac{3}{4} \times 2\frac{3}{4}$.

انشاد الشريد من ضوال القصيد

INSHÂD ASH-SHARÎD MIN DAWÂLL AL-QAŞÎD.

A treatise, dealing with the method of writing the Qurân, arranged according to Sûrahs.

On the title-page, the work is designated Kitâb Shawâhid Ibn Gâzî 'Ala'sh-Shâṭibîyah; but the beginning of the MS. is identical with that of Irshâd ash-Sharîd, noticed by Ḥâj Khal., vol., i, p. 461.

Author: Abû 'Abdallâh Muḥammad bin Aḥmad bin Muḥammad bin Muḥammad bin 'Alî bin Gâzî al 'Uşmânî al-Miknâsî ابر عبد الله the بن محمد بن احمد المتعادي العثماني المكناسي

greatest divine of his time. He belonged to the Banû 'Uşmân, a tribe of Morocco, and was born at Miknâsah in A.H. 841 = A.D. 1438. Besides the present work, he wrote several books on history and mathematics. In his work, entitled الروض الهتري في اخبار مكناسة و الريتري, a history of his native city, Miknasah, he gives a short account of his life. He says that, about A.H. 858=A.D. 1454, he travelled to Fez to prosecute his studies there. After completing his education, he proceeded to Kitâmah, where he spent about twonty years with his relatives. Subsequently he settled permanently at Fez, where he was appointed Imâm and Khatîb of the Jâmi' al-Qarâwîyîn. He died at Fez in A.H. 919=A.D. 1513. See Brock., vol. ii, p. 240.

Beginning:-

يقول العبد المقصر المعترف بذنبه الفقير الى رحمة ربه محمد بن محمد بن محمد بن علي بن غازي العثماني سمح له بمنه الحمد لله الذي من علينا بقراءة كتابه العزيز و ونقنا لدوام تلاوته النج *

For other copies see Alger, No. 367/3, and Râmpûr, p. 45. Written in hasty Naskh, within double red-ruled borders. Dated Sunday, the 21st Rajab, A.H. 1279=A.D. 1862. Scribe: حسين بن موسى الشافعي.

The title-page contains a poem by Shihâbaddîn Abû Shâmah (d. A.H. 665=A.D. 1267) on the abbreviations used by Ash-Shâtibî and others in their works on the subject of Qirâ'at. The poem begins

thus:-

الف نافع و البا لقالون فاستمع و بالجيم ورش كن به متمثلا

The title-page also contains a note, stating that the total number of verses contained in the Qurân is 6,666.

No. 1287.

foll. 6; lines 25; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

رسالة لطيفة في الرسم RISÂLAH LAŢÎFAH FI'R-RASM.

A tract on the orthography of the Quran, based on a commentary on the 'Aqılatu Atrab al-Qasa'id of Ash-Shâtibî (d. A.H. 590=A.D. 1194).

The author's name and his dates cannot be traced.

Beginning:-

" الحمد لله الولي الحميد ذر [sic ذي] العزة والقدرة و التمجيد الحمدة حمدا لايفني ولا يبيد و بعد فهذة رسالة لطيفة في الرسم جمعتها من شرح الرائية النو *

No other copy of the tract is known.

Written in Arabian Naskh.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1288.

foll. 109; lines 15; size $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

الجوهر الفريد في رسم القرآن المجيد

AL-JAWHAR AL-FARÎD FÎ RASM AL-QURÂN AL-MAJÎD.

A treatise on the orthography of the copies of the Qurân sent by 'Usmân, the third Caliph, to the chief Muslim cities.

Author: Sayyid bin Yûsuf bin 'Âmir 'Arîshah al-Hûrînî سيد بن عامر عويشه الهوريني He flourished towards the end of the 13th century of the Hijrah.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله الذي علم بالقام علم الانسان صالم يعلم احمدة سبحانة و تعالى و اشكرة على صا اولانا ص النعم و اشبد أن لا الله الا الله و حدة لا شريك له الموصوف بالقدم أما بعد فلما كان علم الرسم من اهم المهمات و التفحص فيه من الواجبات سيما رسم القرآن الوارد عن الامام سيدنا عثمان بن عفان النونة

The author tells us, in the preface, that he extracted the present work, at the request of some of his friends, from Tagrîd al-Jamîlah limunâdamat al-'Aqîlah, a commentary on Ash-Shâṭibî's 'Aqîlatu Atrâb al-Qaṣâ'id.

The work is divided into a Muqaddimah, twelve Bâb and Khâtimah, as follows:—

Fol. 2^b . وكم هي اصل نسخ المصاحف العثمانية و كم هي مقدمة الكتاب في اصل نسخ المصاحف العثمانية و كم هي . شكل ما المتحد بعد ها *

Fol. 11a.	الباب الاول في الاثبات و الحذف من اول القرآن
Fol. 24 ^b .	 الباب الثاني في حذف كلمات يحمل عليما اشباهما
Fol. 42a.	الباب الثالث في زيادة الالف
Fol. 44 ^b .	الباب الرابع في حذف الياء و ثبوتها
Fol. 50a.	الباب الخامس في زيادة الياء
Fol. 51a.	الباب السادس في حذف الواو و زيادتها
Fol. 54b.	الباب السابع في احرف وقعت في الوسم عان غيرقياس و هو
•	باب الهمزة من حيث كانت ابتدائدة و متوسطة و متطرفة *
Fol. 73b.	باب الهمزة من حيث كانت ابتدائدة و متوسطة و متطرفة * الباب الثامن في رسم الالف واوا
Fol. 73 ^b . Fol. 75 ^a .	
	الباب الثامن في رسم الالف واوا
Fol. 75 ^a .	الباب الثامن في رسم الالف واوا الباب التاسع في رسم الالف ياءا
Fol. 75 ^a . Fol. 83 ^a .	الباب الثامن في رسم الالف واوا الباب التاسع في رسم الالف ياءا الباب العاشر في حذف احدي اللامين في الرسم

The work was completed, as stated by the author at the end, on Wednesday, the 22nd Safar, A.H. 1286=A.D. 1869.

Foll, 103^{b} – 108^{b} contain an extract from $A\underline{d}$ - $\underline{D}ahab$ al-Ibrîz of Ahmad bin al-Mubârak.

Fol. 109a contains a poem by a certain As-Sayyid Zain al-Marṣafî aṣ-Ṣayyâd in praise of the present work, beginning:—

Written in Naskh, with the headings in red. The MS. appears to be an autograph copy, the author referring to himself on the title-page in the following terms:—

هذا الكتاب المسمى بالجوهر الفريد في رسم القرآن المجيد لمؤلفه الفقير الى ربه سيد بن يوسف بن عامر عريشه الهوريذي بلدا عفى الله عنهما آمين *

A table of contents is prefixed to the work.

Four fly-leaves, at the beginning, contain appreciations by a number of the author's contemporaries, including Ash-Shaikh Muhammad

al-Mutawallî ash-Shâfi'î (d. A.H. 1313=A.D. 1895; see Iktifâ' al-Quaû', p. 121) and Ash-Shaikh Nasr Abu'l-Wafâ' al-Hûrînî (d. A.H. 1291=A.D. 1874; see *ibid.*, p. 114).

PRONUNCIATION OF THE QURÂN.

No. 1289.

foll. 113; lines 17; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{3}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$.

كتاب الوقف و الابتداء

KITÂB AL-WAQF WA'L-IBTIDÂ'.

An index of the pauses (وقف) to be observed in reading the Qurân.

The author himself does not reveal his name. In the following note on the title-page, the work is ascribed to Muhammad bin Taifûr al-Gaznawî as-Sajâwandî (who died about A.H. 560=A.D. 1165; see Brock., vol. i, p. 408):—

It would appear, however, that our author cannot be earlier than the 7th century of the Hijrah, since he refers in his preface to Al-Murshid, a work by Abû Muḥammad Ḥasan bin 'Alî bin Sa'îd al-'Ummânî, who flourished in the middle of the 7th century (see Brock., vol. ii, p 99).

Beginning:

الحمد لله المفتح كلامه بحمدة المجرى الالسنة به لطفا من عندة المستنطق مقاول الذكر على جزائل ذكرة المستغرق خصائل الشكر في طوائل شكرة وشرائف صلوته على نبيه و عبدة الوا في بعهدة عهدة الباذل نهاية جهدة في بداية جهدة و على آلة القائمين على حدة من بعدة النج *

In the preface, it is stated that the present work was undertaken because Al-Maqâti wa'l-Mabâdî and Al-Murshid, the only two works

on the subject available at that time, were both of them too long, and therefore tiresome for students. An abridgment of the latter work by Zakarîyâ bin Muḥammad al-Anṣârî (d. A.H. 926=A.D. 1520), entitled المقصد لتخليص ما في المرشد في الوقف و الابتداء, has been twice printed, viz., at Bûlâq, A H. 1282, and in Cairo, A.H. 1305.

The preface is followed by a description of stops, which are divided into five classes, viz., (i) مطلق ; (ii) مطلق ; (iii) جائز; (iv) مجوز لوجه ; and (v) مرخص لوجه . The main body of the work is arranged according to Sûrahs, the beginning and end of each verse being given, and the class of stops employed being classified accordingly.

Another copy of the work is noticed in Cairo, vol. i, p. 104.

Written in minute Naskh.

Dated the 3rd Jumâdâ II, A.H. 1138=A.D. 1726.

. محمد الكردي بن حاج دياب .

No. 1290.

foll. 134; lines 15; size $8 \times 5\frac{1}{4}$; 6×3 .

The Same.

Another copy of the same work.

Begins as the preceding copy. Apart from occasional variants, the two MSS. are identical. It is difficult, therefore, to understand why, in a note on the title-page, written in a very recent hand, the following particulars are given as to the title and authorship:—

رسالة ميرزا حسى بردي درسجاوندي مسمى بمدلل

Written in small Nasta'liq.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1291.

foll. 38; lines 25; size 8×6 ; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

(Ten separate works bound together.)

foll. 1b-18a.

I.

شرح عبدة المفيد SHARḤ 'UMDAT AL-MUFÎD.

A commentary on the 'Umdat al-Mufid wa 'Uddat al-Mujîd, a metrical treatise of As-Sakhâwî (d. A.H. 643=A.D. 1245) on the correct VOL. XVIII.

pronunciation of the Qurân, consisting of 64 Kâmil verses on the model of the Qaṣidah Râ'iyah of Abû Muzâḥim Mûsâ al-Khâqânî (dɛ A.H. 325=A.D. 936; see Berlin, No. 485).

The commentator does not reveal his name; but in all likelihood he is Jamâladdîn Ismâ'îl bin Muḥammad bin Ismâ'îl bin Sa'dallâh, commonly called Ibn al-Fuqqâ'î al-Ḥamawî, معال الدين اسمعيل بن معمد الله الشهير بابن الفقاعي العموي. Imâm Dahabî, in the Tabaqât al-Qurrâ', fol. 181b, describes him as a great scholar, deeply versed in the various readings of the Qurân, the traditions of the Prophet, and several other branches of Muhammadan literature. He was born at Ḥamât, A.H. 642=A.D. 1244, where he served as a professor in several Madrasahs, and died in A.H. 715=A.D. 1315. See Buġyat al-Wu'ât, fol. 156a; Ad-Durar al-Kâminah, vol. i, fol. 115b; Tabaqât al-Qurrâ', fol. 181b; and Tâj at-Tabaqât, vol. viii, fol. 31a.

The text begins thus:—

The commentary begins thus:

الحمد لله الذي اتخذ الحمد لنفسه ذكرا و رضى به عن عبادة شكرا و صلواته على سيدنا محمد الذي صدع بالرسالة و انذر بفصيح المقالة و على آله الطيبين الطاهرين و سلم تسليما فإن القصيدة النونية المنسوبة الى الشيخ الامام العلامة علم الدين السخاري برد الله مضجعه في معرفة تجويد القرآن و تحقيق الفاظه عظيمة الشان النج *

The commentator tells us, in a short prefatory note, that he wrote this commentary at the request of his son, explaining the difficult words and phrases of the text and adding considerable new material from other sources.

Another copy of the work is noticed in Wien, No. 1628. See also Brock., vol. i, p. 410, and Haj. Khal., vol. iv, p. 267.

foll. 18b-25b.

II.

شرح عمدة الهفيد SHARḤ 'UMDAT AL-MUFÎD."

Another commentary on As-Sakhâwî's 'Umdat al-Mufîd, by Shamsaddîn Ahmad bin Mahmûd al-Adîb al-Ḥakîm al-Muqrî شهس الدين . احمد بن محمود الادبب الحكيم المقرى Beginning: --

الحمد: لله الذمي انزل القرآن العظيم والذكر الحكيم النع * Cf. Ḥâj. Khal., vol. iv, p. 267.

foll. 25b-28b.

III.

ارجوزة التجويد URJÛZAT AT-TAJWÎD.

A metrical tract, consisting of 132 verses on the subject of the correct pronunciation of the letters of the Arabic alphabet.

By Muḥammad bin Khalîl al-Qubâqibî معمد بن خليل القباتبي (d. A.H. 849=A.D. 1445); for some account of whom see No. 1250 above.

Beginning: -

Though the first two verses of the present tract are identical with those of the Majma' as- $Sur\hat{u}r$, another metrical work by the same author, treating of the various readings of the fourteen Qurânreaders (see Cairo, vol. i, p. 105), yet it is clear that the present tract is a different work, and in the last verse is entitled by the author $Urj\hat{u}zat$ at- $Tajw\hat{u}d$, as below:—

قد نجرت ارجروزة التجويد بعمد ربى المالك المجيد No other copy of the tract is known.

foll. 28b-29b.

IV.

منظومة في الضاد و الظاء

MANZÛMAH FI'D-DÂD WA'Z-ZÂ'.

A versified essay on the letters في (d) and له (z), with the following heading:—

مهذه الابيات من نظم سيف الدين ابي نصر محمد بن محمود رحمة الله لفظات اذا كتبت بالظاء كانت بمعذى و اذا كتبت بالظاء كانت بمعذى غيرة و تفسير ما يشكل من غريبها تاتى كل لفظة نظما و الحمد لله وحدة *

Author: Saifaddîn Abû Naşr Muḥammad bin Maḥmûd سيف الدين ابو نصر محمد بن محمود.

*Beginning :—

افــضل ما فاه به الانـسان و خير ما جرى بــه اللسان حــمد الأله و الصلوة بعده على النــبن فهو خير عبده

foll. 29b-33a.

V.

بهجة المقربين

BAHJAT AL-MUQARRABÎN.

An anonymous tract, dealing with the rules regarding the letter o, the *Tanwîn* (nasal vowels), the *Ḥurûṭ al-Madd* (prolongation) and the *Makhārij al-Ḥurûṭ* (articulation).

Beginning:-

الحمد لله رب العالمين اما بعد فهذه بهجة المقربين في معوفة النون الساكنة و التنوين و المد و مخارج الحروف و صفاتها و مالكل حرف من الالقاب و الصفات النع *

fol. 33b.

VI.

شروط الفاتحه

SHURÛT AL-FÂTIHAH.

A short essay, explaining the rules regarding the recitation of Sûral al-Fâtihah (the first chapter of the Qurân). The author's name is not known.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله الذي انشأنا بقدرته النح ،

foll. 34a-36a.

VII.

قصيدة الشيخ الوعيظي

QAŞÎDAT AŞH-ŞHAİKH AL-WA'ÎZÎ.

An ode consisting of 102 verses, containing moral lessons, by Ash-Shaikh al-Wa'îzî الشيخ الوعيظى.

Beginning:—

ليعن المقام بدارالوزن الندمى [sie] و لا معاشرة الاوباش من شيعي النا الوعيظي ولي في الشعر نافلة اسمع و صية [sie] امين غير متمم

The Qasidah, noticed in Berlin, No. 8088, is evidently the same ode; but the Berlin MS. has 130 verses, and is probably the more correct version. The above two verses are quoted in that catalogue with some variation, as follows:—

ليس المقام بدار الذل من شيمي و لامجاورة الارباش من هممي النا الوعيظي ولي في الشعر نافلة افهم كلامي شبيه الدر منتظمي

The last verse of the Berlin copy, beginning with, يا رب اغفر لنا ظهها, is not given in our MS.

foll. 37a-37b.

VIII.

منظومة في التسابيح MANZÛMAH FI'T-TASÂBÎH.

An ode containing 34 verses in praise of God, by Maḥmûd al-Lutfî معمود اللطفي.

Beginning:-

سبحان ربى الذي قد كأن في الازل ربا رحيما و هذا الوصف لم يزل

In this ode, all but the last five verses begin with the word or our or ...

foll. 37b-38b.

IX.

استغفلاة

ISTIGFÂRAH.

An ode of 44 verses on the *Istigfâr* or praying for God's pardon, by Ibn al-Qâsim al-Munâwî ابن القاسم المناوي.

Beginning:-

استغفر الله من ذنبي و من زللي و من نعالي و من قول بلا عمل

fol. 38b.

X.

القصيدة المنفرجه

AL-QAŞÎDAT AL-MUNFARIJAH.

An ode of 15 verses in praise of God, by Al-Yâfi'î; probably 'Afîfaddîn 'Abdallâh bin As'ad al-Yâfi'î عفيف الدين عبد الله بن اسمد (d. a.h. 768 `= a.d. 1368; see Lib. Cat., vol. xiii, No. 908).

Beginning:-

يا مدركا بسريع اللطف و الفرج عند الشدائد للملهوف في الحرج

The whole MS. is written in Arabian Naskh. Not dated; probably 17th century.

No. 1292.

foll. 25; lines 27; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5$; $6 \times 2\frac{3}{4}$.

ترة العين QURRAT AL-'AIN.

A treatise on Fathah (the vowel which is sounded in Arabic like "a") and Imalah (i.e., giving to Fathah a sound like that of the vowel Kasrah).

Author: Abu'l-Baqâ' 'Alî bin 'Uşmân bin Muḥammad bin Aḥmad bin al-Ḥasan al-Qâṣiḥ al-'Uḍrî al-Baġdâdî ابو البقاء علي بن عثمان (d. A.H. 801=A.D. 1399); for some account of whom see No. 1233 above.

Beginning:—

قال الشيخ الامام العلامة نور الدين على ابو الحسن بن عثمان بن احمد بن ابى المحسن الشهير بالقاصح اما بعد حمد الله رب العالمين و الصلوة و السلام على سيدنا محمد خاتم النبيين و آله و صحبه اجمعين فان هده رسالة سميتها قرة العين و جمعت فيها المشهور من الفتح و الامالة و بين اللفظين مما قرأت به و رويته عن الائمة السبعة من الطرق المعول عليها في عصرنا النوع

We are told, in the preface, that the work is based on authentic traditions of the seven canonical readers of the Qurân, and that the main object of the author is to help students of At-Taisir of Ad-Dânî (No. 1215, ii above) and the Hirz al-Amânî of Ash-Shâtibî (No. 1221 above).

The work is arranged according to the Sûrahs of the Qurân.

For other copies see Berlin, Nos. 549-550; Leyden, No. 1641; Paris, No. 2677; Cairo, vol. i, p. 109; and Âṣafiyah, p. 302. See also Ḥâj-Khal., vol. iv, p. 511, and Brock., vol. ii, p. 165.

Written in elegant Naskh, with the headings in red, within redruled borders. Fol. 24 should come after fol. 17.

Not dated; probably 19th century.

At the end is a licence (افن نامهٔ شریف), dated A.H. 1215=A.D. 1800, granted by Faidallâh Âfindî to his disciple, Mustafâ bin Ibrâhîm Âfindî, authorising him to narrate his teachings to others.

No. 1293.

foll. 71; lines 15-22; size $6\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$; $5 \times 2\frac{3}{4}$.

تحفة الافام

TUḤFAT AL-ANÂM.

A treatise on the subject of pausing at the letter ε (Hamzah), in reading the Qurân, according to the methods of Ḥamzah (d. A.H. 156 = A.D. 773) and Hishâm (d. A.H. 245 = A.D. 859).

By the same Ibn al-Qâșih al-Bagdâdî.

The full title of the work, as given in the preface, is as follows:-

Beginning:—

الحمد لله النافدة قدرته القاطعة حجته العالية كلمته السابغة نعمته الدي تكلم بالقرآن في ازليته و حفظه لمن شاء من بريته اما بعد فانك سألتني ايها الاخ الصالح النجيب الفالح ان الخص لك ورقات تحتوي على بعض مسائل من باب وقف حمزة و هشام فاجبتك الى ما سألت النع *

The author tells us, in the preface, that he wrote this work at the request of his brother, whom he does not mention by name, and that he derived material from the Kitâb at-Taisîr of Ad-Dânî (No. 1215, ii above), the Kitâb an-Nashr of Ibn al-Jazarî (No. 1243 above) and several commentaries on the Hirz al-Amânî of Ash-Shâtibî (No. 1221 above).

For other copies see Cairo, vol. i, p. 106, and Asafîyah, p. 296. Written in Naskh.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1294.

foll. 54; lines 23; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5$; 6×3 .

The Same.

Another copy of the same work, beginning as the above. Written in fair Naskh, with the headings in red. Dated A.H. 1184=A.D. 1770.

No. 1295.

foll. 117; lines 14; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$; $.6 \times 3$.

(Two separate works bound together.)

foll. 1b-74a.

T.

The Same.

Another copy of the same work, beginning as the above. Foll. 74^b-75^a are blank.

foll. 75b-117a.

II.

[مسائل القراءة]

[MAŞÂ'IL AL-QIRÂ'AT.]

A treatise on the correct reading of the Qurân, written by Zainaddîn Abu'l 'Azâ'im Sultân bin Ahmad bin Salâmah bin Ismâ'îl al-Mazzâḥî al-Miṣrî al-Azharî aṣh-Shâfi'î بن الدين ابو العزائم سلطان بن سلامة بن اسمعيل العزاجي المصري الازهري الزهري المعدد بن سلامة بن اسمعيل العزاجي المصري الازهري in answer to a question put to him.

The preface, which is written by a pupil of the author, begins thus:—

الحمد لله الذي فيض للعلم ائمة قائمين به في كل وقت و اوأن و الهم الهم لبيان حل المشكل منه باظهر حجة و برهان و بعد فيقول شيخنا و سيدنا و مولانا العالم العلامة الحبر البحر الفهامة جامع اشتات الفضائل شمس النهار زين الدين ابن احمد سلطان المزاحي الشافعي الزهري الفقيم المقرئ متعنا الله بوجودة الني *

The question begins thus:-

ما قولكم رضى الله تعالى عفكم ني البسملة في اجزاء براءة هل هي متروكة فيها النم *

The answer, which is divided into twenty Mas'alah, begins thus:—

اجبت ان اتكلم عليه و آخرة كل مسئلة بالكلام عليها مع ذكر ما يتعلق بها و هذا اوان الشروع فاقول اعلم ان جملة المسأئل المذكورة عشرون مسئلة المسئلة الاولى في البسملة في اجزاء براءة النو *

Written in fair Naskh.

Dated, A.H. 1176=A.D. 1763.

. حافظ صبغة الله ولد شيخ سلام الله ساكن قصبه كوث در ملك ميوات : Scribe

No. 1296.

foll. 37; lines 20; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 6$; 6×3 .

الحواشي المفهمه في شرح المقدمه

AL-HAWÂSHÎ AL-MUFHIMAH FÎ SHARH AL-MUQADDIMAH.

A commentary on Al-Muqaddimat al-Jazarîyah, the well-known metrical treatise on the correct pronunciation of the Qurân, by Shamsaddîn Abu'l-Khair Muḥammad bin Muḥammad Ibn al-Jazarî (d. A.H. 833=A.D. 1429).

Beginning:-

الحمد الله المتعال في جلال قدسه لا احصي ثفاء عليه كما هو الثني على فقسه اما بعد فإن اولى ما تصوف فيه الهمم العوال كلام الله الكبير المتعال النم

The author of the commentary does not reveal his name, but in his preface refers to the author of the text as his father. From biographical notices of his father, we know him to have been Shihâbaddîn Abû Bakr Aḥmad bin Muḥammad A.D. 1379, and was educated as a specialist in Qirâ'at and Tajwîd. For some time he lived with his father at Brussa, and afterwards in Cairo, where he was appointed by Tamerlane as his ambassador at the court of Sultân Faraj Ibn Barqûq (A.H. 801-815=A.D. 1398-1412). Besides the present work, he wrote commentaries on two other works of his father, viz., (i) Tayyibat an-Nashr (No. 1246 above), and (ii) Muqaddimatu 'Ilm al-Hadîş (see Berlin, No. 1084). His commentaries were very much appreciated by his father, who speaks of them in the following terms (vide Ash-Shaqâ'iq an-Nu'mânîyah, vol. i, p. 39):—

و لما كان بمصر في غيبتى و إنا مجاور بمكة شرح طيبة النشر فا حسى فيه مع إنه لم يكن عنده نسخة بالحواشي التى كنت كتبت عليها و من قبل ذلك شرح مقدمة التجويد و مقدمة علم الحديث من نظمي في غاية الحسن *

The date of his death is not known.

At the end of the commentary is a chapter on the rules to be observed in reading the Qurân.

The work was completed, as stated by the author at the end, on Saturday, the 27th Rabî' II, A.H. 806=A.D. 1403, at Lârindah, a town in Qarâmân.

For other copies see Berlin, Nos. 511-12; Gotha, No. 563; Br. Mus. Suppl., No. 93; Nûr 'Uşmânîyah, Nos. 82-3; Kûprîlîzâdah, p. 180; Cairo, vol. i, p. 35, vol. vii, pp. 215, 221; Âṣafîyah, p. 296; and Râmpûr, p. 48. See also Ḥâj. Khal., vol. vi, p. 78, and Brock., vol. ii, p. 202.

The work has been twice printed, viz., in Cairo, A.H. 1309, and in Kâsân, A.D. 1893.

The present copy was transcribed by Maḥmûd bin Muḥammad, at the instance of his teacher, Mullâ Nasrallâh.

Written in Nasta'liq, with quotations from the text in Naskb. Dated Friday, the 14th Rabî' I, A.H. 1262=A.D. 1846.

No. 1297.

foll. 56; lines 21; size $8\frac{3}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

اللآلي السنيه في شرح المقدمة الجزريه

AL-LA'ÂLÎ AS-SANÎYAH FÎ SHARH AL-MUQADDIMAT AL-JAZARÎYAH.

A commentary on Al-Muqaddimat al- Jazariyah, by Shihâbaddîn Abu'l-'Abbâs Aḥmad bin Muḥammad bin Abî Bakr al-Khatîb al-Qasṭallânî ash-Shâfi'î معمد بن أبي أبكر العباس احمد بن العباس المدن ابو العباس احمد بن العباس القسطلاني الشافعي شهاب القسطلاني الشافعي (d. A.H. 923=A.D. 1517; see Lib. Cat., vol. v, part i, No. 169).

Beginning:-

قال الفقير الى ربه احمد بن محمد بن ابي بكر بن عبد الملك بن احمد بن محمد بن محمد بن محمد بن عسين بن على بن احمد بن علي القسطلاذي المقرئ غفر الله له و للمسلمين احمد الله سبحانه حمدا كثيرا دائما بدرامه باقيا ببقائه اما بعد فهذا تعليق على مقدمة الشيخ الامام بقية المحققين الاعلام ابى الخير محمد بن محمد الجزري الشافعي سقى الله ثراة النم *

In the preface, the commentator tells us that he wrote this commentary at the request of some of his friends, incorporating much useful matter from the work of Al-Ja'barî (d. A.H. 732=A.D. 1332).

The preface is followed by an *Isnâd*, or chain of the commentator's successive teachers through whom he received the teachings of the author of the text.

A short biographical notice of the author of the text is given on fol. 3^b, under the heading تتبه.

In the colophon, it is stated that the work was completed on the

19th Ṣafar, A.H. 875=A.D. 1470, at Cairo; that it was revised by the author himself in A.H. 877=A.D. 1472 at Mecca; and that, at Mecca and also at Medina, it was read to some of the most learned men of the time, and finally to Shaikh 'Abdalqâdir al-Minhâj, who was entrusted by the author with the publication of the work on the 17th Muḥarram, A.H. 880=A.D. 1475.

Another copy of the work is noticed in Cairo, vol. i, p. 104. Written in fair, Naskh, with quotations from the text in red. Not dated; probably 19th century.

No. 1298.

foll. 22; lines 23; size $7\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

الدقائق المحكمه في هرح المقدمه

AD-DAQÂ'IQ AL-MUḤKAMAH FÎ SHARḤ AL-MUQADDIMAH.

A commentary on Al-Muqaddimat al Jazarîyah, by Zainaddîn Abû Yahyâ Zakarîyâ bin Muḥammad al-Anṣârî زين الدين ابو يحيى زكريا (d. A.H. 926=A.D. 1520); for some account of whom see Lib. Cat., vol. xiii, No. 921.

Beginning:—

قال شينج الاسلام و المسلمين زين الملة و الدين ابو يحيئ زكريا الانصاري الشانعي الحمد لله الذي انتتج بالحمد كتابه و اجزل لمن جودة و عمل به ثوابه النج ...

The work was completed, as stated by the author at the end, on the 1st Shawwâl, A.H. 883=A.D. 1478.

For other copies see Berlin, Nos. 516-21; Wien, No. 1636; Br. Mus. Suppl., No. 94, ii; Alger, No. 407; Cairo, vol. i, pp. 97, 109, 112, 113, vol. vii, pp. 213, 495; and Âsafîyah, p. 298. See also Hâj. Khal., vol. vi, p. 79, and Brock., vol. ii, p. 202.

The work has been printed in Cairo, A.H. 1308.

The present copy was transcribed by Yûsuf bin Muhammad ash-Shirbînî, a scholar of some repute and the author of هو القحوف في شرح which has been printed in Bûlâq, A.H. 1274, and lithographed in Cairo, A.H. 1289. He lived in the latter half of the

11th century of the Hijrah. He was alive up to A.H. 1098=A.D. 1687. See Brock., vol. ii, p. 278.

Written in cursive Naskh, with quotations from the text in red.

Dated A.H. 1068=A.D. 1658.

The title-page contains the signature of Muḥammad bin Aḥmad *al-Ḥalabî, to whom the MS. once belonged.

No. 1299.

foll. 27; lines 16-23; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6$; 6×4 .

The Same.

Another copy of the same work, beginning as the above.

Written in minute Naskh, with marginal notes.

Dated Tuesday, the 10th Rajab, A.H. 1170=A.D. 1756.

The title-page contains notes concerning the purchase of the MS. by two former owners, viz., (i) Husain bin 'Abdallâh, and (ii) Diyâ' al-Islâm Ismâ'îl ash-Shahârî.

No. 1300.

foll. 70; lines 23; size 8×6 ; $5\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

(Two separate works bound together.)

foll. 1-21.

I.

The Same.

Another copy of the same work, beginning as the above. The colophon runs thus:—

و كان الفراغ من هذه المقدمة يوم خامس في شهر شوال الحرام سنة تسعمائة و ثلاث و خمسين كتبه الفقير الراجي عفو ربه ابراهيم بن اسكندر ...

Written in small Arabian Naskh, with quotations from the text in red.

Dated the 5th Shawwâl, A.H. 953=A.D. 1456.

foll. 22-70.

II.

الحواشي المفهمة AL-HAWÂSHÎ AL-MUFHIMAH.

Another copy of $Al-Haw\hat{a}\underline{s}\underline{h}\hat{\imath}$ Al-Mujhimah, beginning as No. 1296 above.

The colophon reads thus:-

تم الكتاب فهار الخميس لخمس خلون من شهر رجب سنة ثلث و حمسين و تسعمائة •

Written in small Arabian Naskh, with quotations from the text in red.

Dated Thursday, the 5th Rajab, A.H. 953=A.D. 1546.

No. 1301.

foll. 56; lines 31; size $8\frac{3}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

حاشية على شرح المقدمة الجزريه

ḤÂSHÎYAH 'ALÂ SHÂRḤ AL-MUQAD-DIMAT AL-JAZARÎYAH.

A gloss on Ad-Daqâ'iq al-Muḥkamah (No. 1298 above), being an abridgment of the gloss written by Sharafaddîn bin Zain al-'Âbidîn Yûsuf (d. A.H. 1068=A.D. 1657), the grandson of the author of the text.

Author: Abu's-Su'ûd Aḥmad bin 'Umar al-Isqâṭî al-Ḥanafî ابو السعود الصد بن عمر الاسقاطي العنفي العنفي العنفي العنفي العنفي الوقاطي العنفي العنفي العنفي العنفي العنفي العنفي العنفي العنفي الوقاطي العنفي العنفي العنفي العنفي العنفي العنفي العنفي العنفي الوقاطي العنفي ا

Beginning:-

يقول العبد الفقير الى لطف ربه الجلي و الخفي احمد بن عمر الاسقاطي الحمد الله الذي وفق من شاء لتجويد كتابه و اجزل لمن لاذ بعص هديه --

The present gloss explains only verbal difficulties in the text, introducing the sentences to be explained with the word قوله in red.

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in small Arabian Naskh.

Dated Monday, the 20th Rabî' I, A.H. 1183 = A.D. 1769.

.محمد القربي المالكي : Scribe

No. 1302.

foll. 73; lines 25; size $7\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

المنع الفكرية في شرح الجزرية AL-MINAḤ AL-FIKRÎYAH FÎ SḤARḤ AL-JAZARÎAH.

A commentary on Al-Muqaddimat al-Jazarîyah, by Mullâ 'Alî, bin Sulţân Muḥammad al-Qârî al-Harawî ملا علي بن سلطان محمد القاري (d. A.H. 1014=A.D. 1606; see Lib. Cat. vol. v, part i, No. 237).

Beginning:-

الحمد لله الذي اودع جواهر المعانى الضيائية في توالب زواهر المباني من الحروف الهجائية اما بعد فيقول الملتجي الى حرم ربة الباري علي بن سلطان محمد القاري ان المقدمة المنسوبة للعلامة شيخ الاسلام و المسلمين الشيخ ابو الخير شمس الدين محمد بن محمد بن محمد الجزري قدس سرة السري ما رأيت لها شرحا كاملا يبين بيانا شاملا يكون لتحقيق الحقائق كافلا فسنح ببالي ان اصنع عليها شرحا معتدلا لامختصوا مخلا و لا مطولا مملا الني *

For other copies see Berlin, No. 522; Br. Mus. Suppl., No. 95; India Office, No. 49; Cairo, vol. i, p. 116, vol. vii, p. 426; and Ḥamîdîyah, No. 22.

The work has been printed in Cairo, A.H. 1308.

Written in fair Naskh, with occasional vowel points. The quotations from the text are in red.

Dated A.H. 1116=A.D. 1704.

.عمر بن عمر البدراوي الازهري الشافعي : Scribe

The title-page contains, besides a seal and signature of a certain Hâfiz Yahyâ Âfindî, dated A.H. 1214=A.D. 1799, a note by 'Abóarraḥmân bin 'Abdallâh bin 'Abdarraḥmân Sarrâj al-Makkî concerning his purchase of the MS. in A.H. 1280=A.D. 1863.

No. 1303.

foll. 101; lines 17-19; size 9×7 ; 7×6 .

(Three separate works bound together.)

foll. 1b-63a.

I.

كتاب الوقوف

KITÂB AL-WUQÛF.

An index of the pauses (وقف) to be observed in reading the Quranic text, arranged according to Sûrahs, giving the end of each verse and stating the class of stop employed in every case.

The author's name is not known.

Beginning:--

سورة الفاتحة الكتاب مدنية ويقال مكية وهي سبعة آية حروفها مائة.

الرحيم ﴿ الدين ﴿ النَّحِ *

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in elegant Naskh, with marginal notes. The headings are in red. The correct order of the folios should be as follows: 1-8, 14, 10-13, 9, 15, 23, 17-22, 16, 24-63.

Dated A.H. 891=A.D. 1486.

Scribe: درویش بن احمد.

foll. 63b-64b.

II.

متفقات قراء

MUTTAFAQÂT-I-QURRÂ'.

A short fragment of a Persian work, dealing chiefly with those principles of Qirâ'at which are universally accepted.

The author's name is not known.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله رب العالمين و العاقبة للمتقين أما بعد اين مختصريست در متفقات قراء و نقل است از زيد بن ثابت رضي الله عذه كه قراءة القرآن سنة ماثورة ياخذها الآخر عن الاول النو *

The headings contained in the present fragment are as follows:—

Written in fair Nasta'lîq.

Not dated; probably 16th century.

foll. 65a-101b.

III.

[مسائل نماز]

[MASÂ'IL-I-NAMÂZ.]

A fragment of a Persian work on prayer.

The author's name cannot be traced. He refers on fol. 99^b to his Persian translation of the *Fatâwâ* of Qâḍî Khân (d. A.H. 592= A.D. 1196), thus:—

اما نماز پیشین در روز اول رواست زیراکه پیش ازوی هیچ نماز فوت شده نیست تمامي این مسئله را در قاضي خان ببینند یا در ترجمهٔ ری که ما نبشته ایم *

The present fragment deals with that part of the subject which is concerned with the correct pronunciation of the Qurân, when used in prayer; also with the rules for repeating prayers, to make up for having omitted them at the appointed time. It opens abruptly with the words:—

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اگر قرآن را درست قراءة نكرده باشد و تجوید را ندانسته باشد و سعي نميكند و غلط و خطا میكند این را زلة القاري نمي گویند بلكه این جهل و تقصیر است و این عفو نیست و باین نماز فاسد میگردد النو *

Written in fair Naskh. Slightly worm-eaten and water-stained. Not dated; probably 16th century.

Fol. 1^a contains, besides miscellaneous notes and extracts from other works, the seal and signature of Zainaddîn Ahmad Khân Bahâdur, dated A.H. 1229=A.D. 1814.

No. 1304.

foll. 215; lines 9; size $6 \times 4\frac{1}{2}$; $5 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$

[كتاب في احكام القراءة والتجويد]

[KITÂB FÎ AḤKÂM AL-QIRÂ'AT WA'T-TAJWÎD.]

A work on the correct reading of the Qurân.

Author: Ahmad bin Ahmad an-Najjârî احمد بن المعاري. He flourished in the earlier part of the 10th century of the Hijrah.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله الذي انزل كتابه القرآن على نبيه محمد افضل ولد عدنان صلى الله عليه و على آله و اصحابه السادة الاعيان صلاة و سلاما دائمين على ممرالدهور والأزمان و بعد فيقول العبد الفقير المعترف بالعجز و التقصير الراجي عفو ربه القدير احمد بن احمد النجاري النم *

The following colophon, dated the 15th Sha'ban, A.H. 926=A.D. 1520, suggests that the present is an autograph copy:—

و كان الفراغ من كتابته خامس عشر شعبان المبارك سنة ست و عشرين و تسعمائة و الحمد لله و حدة و صلى الله على سيدنا محمد و على آله و صحبة و سلم تسليما كثيرا و ذلك بخط مؤلفة احمد بن احمد النجاري *

Four flyleaves at the end contain an appendix, treating of the letter $y\hat{a}$, redundant in reading) according to the method of Abû 'Amr hin al-'Alâ' (d. A.H. 154=A.D. 771).

No other copy of the work is known.

• Written in Arabian Naskh, with all the vowel-points. Several folios seem to be wanting after foll. 1 and 8.

Dated the 15th Sha'ban, A.H. 926=A.D. 1520.

No. 1305.

foll. 153; lines 25; size $6\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$; $5 \times 2\frac{3}{4}$.

(Three separate works bound together.)

foll. 1b-84b.

1.

المقصد لتلخيص ما في المرشد

AL-MAQŞAD LITALKHÎŞ MÂFI'L-MURSHID.

An index of the pauses (وقف) to be observed in reading the Quranic text.

Author: Zainaddîn Abû Yaḥyâ Zakarîyâ bin Muḥammad al-Anṣârî زين الدين ابو يعين زكريا بن محمد الانصاري (d. A.H. 926=A.D. 1520; see Lib. Cat., vol. xiii, No. 921).

Beginning:

قال سيدنا و مولانا الحمد لله على آلائه و الصلاة على سيدنا محمد و آله و اصفيائه و بعد فهذا مختصر المرشد في الوقف و الابتداء الذي الفه العلامة ابو محمد الحسن بن علي بن سعيد العماني رحمه الله تعالى و قد الترم ان يورد فيه جميع ما اوردة اهل هذا الغن و انا افكر مقصود ما فيه مع زيادة بيان محل الذول و زيادة اخرى غالبها عن ابى عمرو عثمان بن سعيد المقرى النم *

The author tells us here that he abridged the present work from Al-Murshid of Abû Muḥammad al-Ḥasan bin 'Alî bin Sa'îd al-'Ummâni (see Ḥâj. Khal., vol. v, p. 493), with certain additions derived from other works, especially from that of Abû 'Amr 'Uṣmân bin Sa'îd ad-Dânî (d. A.H. 444=A.D. 1053).

For other copies see Berlin, No. 564; Leyden, No. 1645; and Râmpûr, p. 55.

The work has been printed at Bûlâq, A.H. 1282.

Written in Arabian Naskh, with the headings in red. Dated Friday, the 15th Safar, A.H. 1155=A.D. 1742. Scribe: مصطفئ بن أحمد بن سميا الأدابي.

foll. 88b-127b

11.

تحفة النبلاء بقراءة ابي عمرو بن العلاء

TUḤFAT AN-NUBALÂ' BIQIRÂ'AT ABÎ 'AMR BIN AL-'ALÂ'.

A work on the readings of the Quranic text which are peculiar to Abû 'Amr bin al-'Alà' (d. A.H. 154 = A.D. 771).

Author: Muḥammad bin Muḥîyaddîn an-Namirah معهد بن محي الدين النمرة. He flourished towards the end of the 11th century of the Hijrah.

Beginning:-

الحمد للله الذي هدانا لحفظ القرآن و وفقنا لتلاوته و اوجب احكام تجويده على كل من اراد الشروع في قراءته و بعد فيقول قليل البضاعة من العلم و المعوفة و الراجي من الكريم الفتاح ان يعيذه و يسعفه محمد بن محي الدين الفمرة نزيل مكة المشرفة الني *

The author tells us in the preface that, in A.H. 1098=A.D. 1687, some pupils of his, who were leaving Mecca for their home in Aleppo, requested him to write the present work, which he composed at the shrine of the celebrated saint Shaikh Muhîyaddin Ibn al-'Arabî (d. A.H. 638=A.D. 1240).

The work is divided into two Fasl and two Bâb as follows:-

الفصل الأول من الفصلين في حكم ما قاله الأثمة . • Faṣl I. Fol. 89 من الفصل الأعلام ومشائخ الأسلام من وجوب تعليم احكام التجويد على كل من اراد أن يقرأ من الأنام و تحريم قراءته لشي من القرآن من غير احكام *

الفصل الثاني في ما وضعه ائمة القرّاء اهل . Faṣl II. Fol. 90°. الاتقان و البيان من مخارج الحروف و الصفات و قواعد احكام تجويد قواءة القرآن *

الباب الأول في بيان اصول قراءة ابي عمر و بن العلاء . Fol. 94'. الباب الثاني في فوش الحروف الحروف . Bâb II. Fol. 99°.

No other copy of the work is known.

• Written in Arabian Naskh; with some marginal notes.

Dated the first Du'l-Hijjah, A.H. 1154=A.D. 1742.

.عبد المطلب بي الشيخ مصطفى الزبادة : Scribe

The title-page contains a poem by a certain Muhummad al-Hanbalî, who traces his *Isnâd* (chain of successive teachers) to the author of the present work, An-Namirah. The poem begins thus:—

فرغت من ذمي التحفة السنية للعصون مل الطافية خفية

foll. 129a-153b.

III.

قرة العين QURRAT AL-'AIN.

A treatise on Fathah (which is sounded in Arabic like "a") and Imâlah (giving to Fathah a sound like that of the vowel Kasrah), by Abu'l-Baqâ' 'Alî bin 'Uṣmân bin Muḥammad bin Aḥmad bin al-Hasan al-Qâṣiḥ al-'Uḍrî al-Baġdâdî بالحمد بن المعادي القاصم العذاري البغدادي (see No. 1292 above).

Beginning:

قال الشيخ الاصام العالم العلامة شيخذا ابو البقاء علي بن عثمان بن متحمد بن احمد بن الحسن القاصح العذري رحمه الله تعالئ اما بعد حمد الله رب العالمين فإن هذه رسالة سميتها قرة العين النع *

Written in Arabian Naskh, with the headings in red.

Dated A.H. 1154=A.D. 1742.

.عبد المطلب بن الشيخ مصطفى الزبادة : Scribe

Two flyleaves, at the end, contain miscellaneous notes and extracts from other works. Foll. 85°-87° are blank. Fol. 87° contains a short poem on ياءَ الله الله . Fol. 1° contains the signature of a certain Ahmad bin 'Umar Âfindî, to whom the MS. once belonged. Seals of As-Sayyid Ahmad and As-Sayyid Amîn Ja'farî are found in the margins of foll. 2° and 3°.

No. 1306.

foll. 10; lines 25; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5$; $7 \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

ترجمة المستفيد

TARJAMAT-AL-MUSTAFÎD.

A short treatise on the correct pronunciation of the Qurân.

By Qâdî Jamâladdîn Muhammad bin 'Umar bin Mubârak bin 'Abdallâh bin 'Alî al-Himyarî ash-Shâfi'î, commonly called Bahraq قاضي جمال الدين محمد بن عمر بن مبارك بن عبد الله بن على al-Ḥaḍrami .an eminent scholar and poet الحميري الشافعي الشهير ببتحرق العضومي He was born at Hadramout on the night of the 15th Sha'ban, A.H. 869=A.D. 1465. After receiving his early education at home from several scholars, including Muhammad bin Ahmad Bâjarfîl ad-Daw'anî (d. A.H. 903=A.D. 1498), he travelled to Aden, where he studied grammar, law, theology, and other branches of learning under 'Abdallah bin Ahmad Makhramah and Muhammad bin Ahmad Bâfadl (d. A.H. 903=A.D. 1498). Afterwards, he visited Zabîd, where he attended the lectures of Jamâladdîn Muhammad bin Abî Bakr aş-Şâ'iġ (d. A.H. 920=A.D. 1514). He also took lessons in Şûfism from Husain al-Ahdal (d. A.H. 903=A.D. 1498) and Shaikh Abû Bakr bin 'Abdallâh al-Aidarûs Bâ'alawî (d. A.H. 914=A.D. 1509; see An-Nûr as-Sâfir, fol. 40a). In A.H. 894=A.D. 1489 he made a pilgrimage to Mecca, where he heard traditions from Shamsaddîn Muhammad bin 'Abdarrahmân as-Sakhâwî (d. A.H. 902=A.D. 1497). After finishing his education, he engaged himself in writing books. He was a prolific writer. Besides the present work, the following compositions of his are enumerated in An-Nûr as-Sâfir (fol. 74^{a}):—

; تبصرة العضرة الشاهية الاحمدية بسيرة العضرة النبوية الاحمدية .1 ومختصر الترفيب والترهيب للمنذري .3 ; الاسرار النبوية في اختصار الاذكار النبوية .4 عقد الدرر في الايمان بالقضاء .5 ; الحديقة الانيقة في شرح العروة الوثيقة .4 الحسام المسلول .7 ; العقد الثمين في ابطال القول بالتقبيم والتحسين .6 ; و القدر ; العقيدة الشافعية في شرح العقيدة اليافعية .8 ; على منتقصي اصحاب الرسول حلية البنات و البنين .10 ; الحواشي المفيدة على ابيات اليافعي في العقيدة .9 خيرة الاخوان المختصر من كتاب الاستغناء .11 ; في مايحتاج اليه من امرالدين ترتيب السلوك الى .13 ; النبذة المنتخبة من كتاب الاوائل للعسكري .12 ; بالقرآن

زمتعة الاسماع باحكام السماع المختصر من كتاب الامتناع .14 ; ملك الملوك النبخة المختصرة في معرفة الخصال المكفرة للذنوب المقدمة و المؤخرة .15 ; رسالة في الحساب .17 ; مواهب القدوس في مناقب ابن العيدروس .18 ; شرح الملحة للحريري .20 ; منظرمة في الطب .19 ; رسالة في الفلك .18 . شرح لامية ابن مالك في التصريف .21 .

Our author was appointed Qâdî of Shiḥr (a town in Yemen); but subsequently he resigned the post, and made a visit to Aden, where he was held in great honour by Amîr Marjân. After the death of the Amîr, he visited India, where Muzaffar Shâh II (A.H. 917-932=A.D. 1511-1525), the King of Gujarât, received him with marks of esteem. He died at Aḥmadâbâd on the night of the 20th Sha'bân, A.H. 930=A.D. 1524. The dates of his death given by Brock., vol. 1, p. 248, and by Rieu, Br. Mus. Suppl., No. 1056, are both incorrect. For further particulars of the author's life see An-Nûr as-Sâfir foll. 72b-77a.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله رب العالمين وصلى الله و سلم على افضل المخلوقين اما بعد فهذه ترجمة المستفيد لمعاني مقدمة التجويد النج *

The treatise is divided into ten chapters, each called a Faşl, as detailed below:—

(i)	فصل في مخارج الحروف
(ii)	· فصل في صفات الحروف
(iii)	فصل في التجويد
(iv)	فصل في احكام النون الساكنة و التنوين
(v)	فصل في بيان اقسام المد
(vi)	فصل في معرفة محل الوقف والابتداء
(vii)	فصل في المقطوع و الموصول
(viii)	فصل في هاء التانيث
(ix)	فصل في هموة الوصل
(x)	فصل في كيفية الوقف

No other copy of the treatise is known. .

Written in fair Naskh, with the headings in red, within double red-ruled borders. It appears, from the original pagination of the

MS., that foll. 2 and 9, which should come in their proper order, have been misplaced in binding after foll. 8 and 1, respectively.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1307.

foll. 20; lines 21; size $9\frac{3}{4} \times 6\frac{3}{4}$; 7×4 .

بغية المرتاد لتصحيح الضاد

BUĠYAT AL-MURTÂD LITAŅÎŅ AD-DÂD.

A treatise on the correct pronunciation of the letter ض (d), by Nûraddîn 'Alî bin Muhammad bin Khalîl bin Muhammad bin Muhammad bin Ibrâhîm bin Mûsâ bin Gânim bin 'Alî, commonly called الدين على بن محمد Ibn Ganim al-Maqdisi al-Khazraji al-Ḥanafi عمر الدين على بن محمد بنَ خليلَ بن مُعمد بن معمد بن ابراهيم بن موسئ بن غانم بن علي الشهير بابن belonged to the tribe of Al-Khazraj. His forefathers were natives of Jerusalem; but he was born at Cairo in A.H. 920=1514. He received his education from several eminent scholars of his native city and of other places, including Shaikh al-Islâm Ahmad bin Yahyâ al-Harawî (d. A.H. 916=A.D. 1510), the great-grandson of the celebrated theologian of Tîmûr's time, Sa'daddîn Mas'ûd bin 'Umar at-Taftâzânî Our author mastered the sciences of (d. A.H. 791=A.D. 1389).Qirâ'at, Hadîs, and jurisprudence; and he filled the post of Principal of the Ashrafiyah College. Subsequently, he was appointed Principal of the college founded by Wazîr Sulaimân Pâshâ, and then Professor of Qurân-reading in the college founded by Sultân Hasan. held several other distinguished posts, and wrote a large number Besides the present work and those mentioned in Brock., vol. ii, p. 312, the following compositions of his are enumerated in the Khulâsat al-Aşar (vol. iii, p. 181):—

(i)	الوصو شوح نظم الكنو
(ii)	شرح الاشباة و النظائر

His pupil, Al-Khafâjî, in the Raiḥânat al-Alibba', fol. 166a, speaks of him in very high terms, and describes him as a man of great piety and vast learning, an illustrious poet, and an author

and teacher of the highest reputation, sought by pupils from far and near. He performed the pilgrimage to Mecca twice, and thrice visited Jerusalem. He died at Cairo on the night of Saturday, the 28th Jumâdâ II, A.H. 1004=A.D. 1595. See Khulâṣat al-Aṣar, vol. iii, pp. 180-185; Raiḥânat al-Alibbâ', fol. 166°; 'Iqd al-Jawâhir, fol. 14°; Brock., vol. ii, p. 312; and Tâj aṭ-Ṭabaqât, vol. xi, fol. 10°. Beginning:—

الحمد لله الذي وفق للنطق الفصيح من اراد و وقف عن الحق الصويح من لزم العناد و الصلاة و السلام على سيدنا محمد افصح من نطق ابالضاد و بعد فيقول المفتقر الى الغذي الجواد علي بن غانم المقدسى الحنفى الاعتقاد التح *

The author tell us, in his preface, that he composed the present work because of the prevalent ignorance in Cairo regarding the correct pronunciation of the letter $\dot{\omega}$ (d).

The work ends on fol. 14^a, with the following colophon:—

هذا ما تيسر لي من التعليق مع قلة الزاد في هذا الطريق و كثرة موجبات التعويق و مراعات الايجاز و مجانبة التطويل و حسبنا الله و نعم الوكيل تمت الرسالة *

The colophon is followed by a further discussion on the letter في evidently by some other writer.

Another copy of the work is noticed in Berlin, No. 7025. See also Hâj. Khal., vol. ii, p. 61.

Written in fair Naskh.

Not dated; probably 19th century.

The title-page contains a poem in praise of the present work, by Mawlâ Ibn al-Bustân (the son of Mustafâ bin Pîr Muḥammad, better known as Bustân Afindî, who died in A.H. 977=A.D. 1569; see Brock., vol. ii, p. 448). The poem was addressed to a certain Qâdî of Cairo, as appears from the following heading:—

تقريظ المولى بن البستان انشده قاضيا بالقاهرة *

The first verse of the poem runs thus:-

كتاب كامــل الارشاد هادي الى حرز الاماني و الرشاد

No. 1308.

foll. 72; lines 15; size 8×5 : 6×3 .

[رسالة في الوقف] • A I A H. Elit. W A

[RISÂLAH FI'L-WAQF.]

A treatise containing a list of pauses to be observed in reading the Quranic text, according to the system of Muhammad bin Taifûr as-Sajâwandî (d. A.H. 560=A.D. 1165). It is in the nature of an abridgment of the standard work of As-Sajâwandî, who is quoted on fol. 23^a .

The author's name cannot be traced.

The MS. is defective at the beginning; but only one folio from the preface, which is in Persian, seems to be wanting. It opens abruptly thus:—

بدانكة در قرآن پذج هزار و نود و هشت وقف است ازانجملة دة وقف غفرانست چنانكة رسول [الله] صلى الله عليه و سلم فومودة است من غمن لي أن يقف على عشر مواضع في القرآن ضمنت له بالجنة سورة الفاتحة الكتاب سبع آيات مكية بسم الله الرحمٰي الرحيم الله الرحمٰي الرحيم العالمين الرحيم الوحيم الوحيم الدين الرحيم النها المحيم الدين الرحيم النها المحيم المعالمين الرحيم المحالمين الرحيم المعالمين الرحيم المعالمين الرحيم المعالمين المحيم الله المحيم الله المحيم الله المحيم الله المحيم المعالمين المحيم الله المحيم المحيم الله المحيم الله المحيم الله المحيم الله المحيم الله المحيم المحي

Fol. 7 should come at the beginning.

Written in fair Naskh; with some marginal notes.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1309.

foll. 432; lines 21; size $9 \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $6 \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

منار الهدمل في الوقف و الابتداء

MANÂR AL-HUDÂ FI'L-WAQF WA'L-IBTIDÂ'.

An index of the pauses to be observed in reading the Qurân, arranged according to Sûrahs, giving the beginning of each verse, and stating the class of stop employed in every case.

Author: Ahmad bin 'Abdalkarîm bin Muḥammad bin 'Abdalkarîm al-A shmûnî احمد بن عبد الكريم بن محمد بن عبد الكريم الاشموني. He

flourished towards the end of the 11th century of the Hijrah. See Berlin, No. 8690, iii.

Beginning:-

After a very modest preface, the author gives certain miscellaneous matter which, he says, would be useful to readers of the Qurân. This is divided into two $F\hat{a}'idah$ and fourteen $Tanb\hat{i}h$.

The work ends with a prayer, followed by some stories relating to the piety of the author's father, grandfather, and great-grandfather.

The work has been twice printed, viz., in Bûlâq, A.H. 1286; and in Cairo, A.H. 1307.

Written in Arabian Naskh; with some marginal notes. It appears, from the original pagination of the MS., that foll. 422-428, which should come in their proper order, have been misplaced in binding after fol. 431.

Dated the 19th Shawwal, A.H. 1248=A.D. 1832.

.يوسف بن حسن الشبكشي : Scribe

No. 1310.

foll. 16; lines 21; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 6$; 6×4 .

(Two separate works bound together.)

foll. 1b-14a.

I.

بيان المشكلات

BAYÂN AL-MUSHĶILÂT.

A treatise on the correct pronunciation of the Qurân, by Mullâ Husain bin Iskandar al-Ḥanafi ملا حسين بن اسكندر الحنفي.

The full title of the work, as given in the preface, is as follows:-بيان المشكلات على المبتديين من جهة التجويد في النكرآن

المبيى

The author wrote several works on the Ḥanafî law and theology, and flourished in the latter part of the 11th century of the Hijrah. See Brock., vol. ii, pp. 326 and 435.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله الذي جعلنا من التالين لكتابه الذي اورثه من اصطفاه من عباده و احبابه نسأله بفضله و منّه جزيل ثوابه و صلاته و سلامه على خير خلقه محمد و آله و اصحابه و بعد فقد شرعت في كتاب الله يسيرات في بيان معرفة الممدودات و المقصورات التي في كتاب الله ذي المن و الانعامات النو *

The work treats of the $Hur\hat{u}f$ at-Madd (prolongation), the $Ma\underline{kh}\hat{a}rij$ al- $Hur\hat{u}f$ (articulation), the $Id\hat{g}\hat{a}m$ (coalescence in pronunciation of two identical or similar letters), and the Waqf (pause or stop).

For other copies see Br. Mus. Suppl., No. 96; Cairo, vol. vii, p. 27; and Râmpûr, p. 45.

foll. 14b-16b.

II.

تحفة نجباء العصر

TUHFATU NUJABÂ, AL-ASR.

A tract dealing with An- $N\hat{u}n$ as- $S\hat{a}kinah$ (the quiescent $N\hat{u}n$), the $Tanw\hat{u}n$ (nasal vowels), the $Hur\hat{u}f$ al-Madd (prolongation) and Al- $H\hat{a}'$ as- $S\hat{a}kinah$ (the quiescent $H\hat{a}'$).

The title of the work and the name of the author are not found in the MS; but the tract is identical with تحفة نجبء العصرفي احكام النوب by the same Mullâ Husain bin Iskandar al-Hanafî, a copy of which is noticed in Râmpûr, p. 45.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله رب العالمين و الصلوة و السلام على سيد المرسلين محمد و آله و صحبه اجمعين اما بعد فهذه الرسالة تتعلق بتجويد القرآن باب احكام النون الساكفة و التفوين النو *

Written in fair Naskh, with occasional rubrics.

Dated Friday, the 1st Rajab, A.H. 1169=A.D. 1756. Scribe: احبد

No. 1311.

foll. 8; lines 21; size $8 \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

الرسالة المختصرة في التجويد

AR-RISÂLAT AL-MUKHTAŞARAH FI'T-TAJWÎD.

A short treatise on the correct pronunciation of the Qurân, by the same Mullâ Ḥusain bin Iskandar al-Ḥanafî.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله رب العالمين و الصلاة و السلام على سيد المرسلين و على آله و صحبه اجمعين يقول العبد الفقير الى صولاة الغني مذاة حسين بن اسكندر الحنفي عامله الله بلطفة الخفي اعلم بان معرفة التجويد من اهم المهمات و هو فرض قال ابن الجزري الاخذ بالتجويد حتم لازم النج *

At the end, the author refers to his preceding work in the following words:—

و تفصيل هذه المسئلة و سائر مسائل هذه الرسالة مبسوط في كتابي المسمئ ببيان المشكلات في التجويد *

Written in Arabian Naskh, with occasional rubrics. Not dated; probably 17th century.

No. 1312.

foll. 16; lines 21; size $8 \times 5\frac{3}{4}$; 6×4 .

لباب التجويد للقرآن المجيد

LUBÂB AT-TAJWÎD LI'L-QURÂN AL-MAJÎD.

A commentary by Mullâ Husain bin Iskandar al-Hanafî on his own work, entitled Ar-Risâlat al- Mukhtasarah (No. 1311 above).

Beginning:-

الحمد لله رب العالمين و الصلاة و السلام على سيدنا محمد و على الله و صحبه اجمعين يقول العبد الفقير الى مولاه الغني مذلا حسين بن اسكندر الحنفي عامله الله بلطفه الخفى و بعد فقد استخرت الله تعالى في وضع شرح مختصر على رسالتي المختصرة في التجويد و ازيد فيه ان شاء الله تعالى فوائد لطيفة جايلة من زلة القاري و مسائل شتى و غير ذلك و سميته لباب التجويد للقرآن المجيد الني *

The work was composed, as stated by the author at the end, in Jumâdâ II, A.H. 1065=A.D. 1655.

For the contents of the work see Berlin, No. 531.

Written in fair Arabian Naskh, with quotations from the text in red.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

No. 1313.

foll. 244; lines 7; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $5 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

[كتاب في الوقف]

[KITÂB FI'L-WAQF.]

An index of the pauses to be observed in reading the Qurân based on the *Kitâb al-Waqf Wa'l-Ibtidâ'* of Abû Ja'far Muḥammad bin Taifûr as-Sajâwandî (d. a.h. 560=a.d. 1165).

The title of the work and the author's name are not known. In a note on the title-page, the work is wrongly ascribed to As-Sajâwandî, who is referred to in the preface in terms used of the dead, thus:—

و الاصام الاجل صدر الاسلام شمس العارفين اصام الزمان ابو جعفر بن طيفور السجاوندي قدس الله روحة وضع الوقوف على خمس صواتب وعلى كل مهتبة اقام برهانا قاطعا و دليلا و اضحا *

Beginning:-

الحمد حمدا يكافي نعمه ويمتري مزيده بعد فاعلم ال الهم لقارى القرآن علم [الفصل] والوصل لان فهم المعذى يفتقر اليه وعلماء المعاني والبيان رحمهم الله جعلوا هذا العلم نهاية النج *

Following As-Sajawahdî, the author divides stops into five classes, via, (i) اللازم; (ii) (iii) اللازم; (iv) ; المجوز; (via, (i) المجوز; (via, (i)); المخص; المجائزة (via, (ii)); المجائزة (via, (ii)) المجائزة (via, (ii)) المجائزة (via, (ii)) المجائزة (via, (ii)) المجائزة (via, (ii)) المجائزة (via, (ii)) المجائزة (via, (ii)) المجائزة (via, (ii)) المجائزة (via, (ii)) المجائزة (via, (ii)) المجائزة (via, (ii)) المجائزة (via, (ii)) المجائزة (via, (ii)) المجائزة (via, (ii)) المجائزة (via, (iii)) المجائزة (via, (ii)) المجائزة (via, (iii)) المجائزة (via, (iiii)) The main body of the work is arranged according to Sûrahs, giving the end of each verse, and stating the class of stop employed in every case.

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in fair Naskh; with some marginal and interlinear notes. Foll. 238-241 are worm-eaten.

Dated the 6th Ramadân, A.H. 1109 = A.D. 1698.

.حافظ عبد الشكور: Scribe

No. 1314.

foll. 62; lines 13; size 6×4 ; $5 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

غنية الطالبين ومنية الراغبين

ĠUNYAT AŢ-ŢÂLIBÎN WA MUNYAT AR-RÂĠIBÎN.

A treatise on the correct pronunciation of the Qurân, by Muḥammad bin Qâsim bin Ismâ'îl al-Baqarî ash-Shâfi'î محمد بن قاسم (d. A.H. 1111=A.D. 1699); for some account of whom see No. 1267 above.

Beginning:—

يقول الفقير المعترف بتقصيرة الحمد لله على احسانه و الشهد ان لا اله الاالله وحده لا شريك له تعظيما لشانه النو *

The author tells us, in the preface, that he wrote this treatise at the request of some of his friends, dividing it into fifteen $B\hat{a}b$ and a $Kh\hat{a}timah$, as follows:—

Fol. 2^b.

الباب الأول في مخارج الحروف و صفاتها

الباب الثاني في بيان التجويد و موضوعه و غايته . «II. Fol. 8.

الباب الثالث في بيان كل كلمة يجب المحافظة . TII. Fol. 11ª. عليها لصعو بتها على الناطق بها *

الباب الرابع في بيان احكام الراء و اللام IV. Fol. 11b.

V. Fol. 13b. و البنان المثلين المتقاربين و الخامس في بيان المثلين المثلين الدغام فيها

لجميع القراء *

- إلباب السادس في بيان اللام القموية و الشمسية و لام . VI. Fol. 14.

 · الفعل *
- الباب السابع في بيان الظاء من الضاد في حروف . Fol. 15^b. الباب السابع في بيان الظاء *
- الباب الثامن في بيان احكام النون الساكنة و ،VIII. Fol. 19⁶. التنوين و الميم الساكنة *
 - الباب التاسع في بيان المد و القصر الباب التاسع في بيان المد و القصر
 - الباب العاشر في بيان الوقف و الابتداء للباب العاشر في بيان الوقف و الابتداء
 - الباب الحادي عشر في بيان هاء الضمير و البداة . XI. Fol. 32°. الباب الحادي عشر في بيان هاء الضمير و البداة .
- الباب الثاني عشر في بيان الوقف على اواخر الكلم . Tol. 33b. في الباب الثاني عشر في بيان الوقف على المام و غير ذلك *
- الباب الثالت عشر في بيان حكم الوقف على بلا و كلا . XIII. Fol. 36b.
- الباب الرابع عشر في بيان من امر بكتابة المصلحف . *XIV. Fol. 41 ومن كتبها و عدة المصلحف التي كتبت *
 - الباب الخامس عشر في بيان المقطوع و الموصول . 47%. Fol. 54%. الخاتمة في بيان كلمات كتبت بالتاء المجرورة و في بيان كلمات كتبت بالتاء المجرورة و في المرسوم *

Another copy of the work is noticed in Cairo, vol. i, p. 111. Written in fair Naskh.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1315.

foli. 9; lines 23; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4$.

بيان الصحيح والمعتمد '

BAYÂN AŞ-ŞAHÎH WA'L-MU'TAMAD.

A pamphlet on the subject of pausing at the letter s (Hamzah), after the method of Ḥamzah bin Ḥabîb az-Zayyât (d. A.H. 156=A.D. 773; see Ṭabaqât al-Qurrâ' by Ad-Dahabî, fol. 22a); based on the Ḥirz al-Amânî of Ash-Shâṭibî (No. 1221 above) and the Kitâb an-Nashr of Al-Jazarî (No. 1243 above).

Author: Shamsaddîn Abû 'Abdallâh Muḥammad bin Salâmah bin 'Abdaljawwâd, commonly called Abi's-Su'ûd Ibn Abi'n-Nûr ad-Dimyâţî aṣ-Ṣakḥrî aṣḥ-Ṣhâfi'î ما المعبد العبراد الشهير بابي السعود ابني ابي النور الدمياطي الصغري الشافعي الصغري الشافعي الصغري الشافعي الصغري الشافعي الصغري الشافعي الصغري الشافعي المعبد العبراد الشهير بابي السعود ابني ابي النور الدمياطي الصغري الشافعي he was born at Ṣakḥrîyah in a.h. 1047=a.d. 1637. After receiving his early education at home from Shaikh Jalâladdîn Muḥammad bin 'Umar al-Fâriskûrî (d. a.h. 1057=a.d. 1647; see Khulâṣat al-Aṣar, vol. iv, p. 82) and Muṣṭafâ at-Tilyânî, he travelled to Cairo to complete his studies under two well-known scholars, viz., (i) Sulţân bin Aḥmad al-Mazzâḥî (d. a.h. 1075=a.d. 1664) and (ii) Yâsîn al-Ḥimṣî (d. a.h. 1061=a.d. 1651). Our author made himself known as a great Qârî, and wrote several works on Qirâ'at, Tajwid and other branches of Muhammadan literature. He died at Cairo, on Wednesday, the 16th Jumâdâ II, a.h. 1117=a.d. 1705. See Silk ad-Durar, vol. iv, p. 111, and Tâj aṭ-Ṭabaqât, vol. xii, part i, fol 110°.

The preface, which is written by a disciple of the author, begins thus:—

الحمد لله رب العالمين و افضل الصلاة و اتم التسليم على اشرف المرسلين و بعد فهذة اوراق قليلة نفعها كبير و الاحتياج اليها كثير في بيان الصحيم و المعتمد المقروء به من طريق الحرز للامام حمزة عند الوقف على الهمزة تلخيص شيخنا شمس الدين ابي عبد الله محمد الدمياطي بلدا الشافعي مذهبا الشهير نسبه بالشيخ ابى السعود [ابن] ابى النور الن *

No other copy of the work is known. Written in Arabian Naskh.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

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No. 1316.

foll. 20; lines 22; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$.

رسالة ني مشكلات القراآت

RISÂLAH FÎ MUSHKILÂT AL-QIRÂ'ÂT.

A short treatise dealing with some difficult points in the correct reading of the Qurân, by Abu's-Su'ûd Ahmad bin 'Umar al-Isqâtî al-Hanafî ابر السعود احمد بن عمر الاسقاطي العنفي (d. A.H. 1159=A.D. 1746); for some account of whom see No. 1301 above.

Beginning:-

يقول العبد الفقير الئ عفو ربه الجلي و الخفي احمد بن عمر الاسقاطي الحذفي فحمدك اللهم حمدا كافيا في تيسير الهداية و فهاية الارشاد النع *

The author tells us, in the preface, that he wrote this treatise in answer to some questions put to him by Al-Wazîr 'Abdallâh bin Muṣṭafâ bin Muḥammad.

The work is divided into 43 Mas'alah (questions). The answer to each question is distinguished by the word الجواب.

The colophon reads thus:-

تمت الرسالة المسماة بالاسئلة للاستان الاعظم و المحقق الافخم استان استاذنا العلامة الاسقاطي نفعنا الله بامداداته و اعاد علينا و على المسلمين من وابل نفحاته *

Written in Arabian Naskh.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1317.

foll. 125; lines 12-24; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 7$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 5$.

(Eight separate works bound together.)

foll. 1a-10b.

I.

رسالة ترتيل القرآن

RISÂLAH TARTÎL AL-QURÂN.

A treatise on the correct reading of the Qurân, by Abû Sa'îd Muḥammad bin Muṣṭafâ bin 'Uṣmân al-Khâdimî al-Qâdimî أبو سعيد بن مصطفى بن عثمان الخادمي القادمي القادمي معمد بن مصطفى بن عثمان الخادمي القادمي ا

Beginning:-

الحمد لله الذي جعلنا من اهل القرآن و جعل تلاوته و ترتيله افضل طاعة اهل الايمان و بعد فلما كان قراءة القرآن افضل الطاعات على الاطلاق بالاتفاق و قد كان رعاية آدابه و شرائط ترتيله كالشريعة المنسوخة فى الاقطار و الافاق بدلت وسعي بجميع ما يتعلق بداك من الكتب المعتبرة الني *

For the contents of the work see Berlin, No 533.

Written in Arabian Naskh.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

fol. 13a.

II.

حكاية مريم الصامنة مع عبد الله

ḤIKÂYAT MARYAM AŞ-ŞÂMITAH MA'A 'ABDALLÂH.

An anecdote regarding a certain Maryam and her replies to the questions of 'Abdallah bin al-Mubarak.

Beginning:—

قال عبد الله بن المبارك ساقذى الحم الى بيت الله تعالى الحرام و زيارة قبر الذبي صلى الله عليه و سلم قال بيذما أنا سائر في الطريق و أذا أنا بامرأة عليها مرقعة من شعر النو *

foll. 13a-19a.

III.

باب وقف حمزة و هشام على الهمزة

BÂB WAQF ḤAMZAH WA HISHÂM 'ALA'L-HAMZAH.

A tract on the subject of pausing at the letter s (Hamzah), according to the methods of Hamzah (A.H. 156=A.D. 773) and Hishâm (d. A.H. 245=A.D. 859).

By an anonymous author.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله رب العالمين باب وقف حمزة و هشام على الهمزة و هو باب مشكل يحتاج الى معوفة تحقيق مداهب اهل العربية و احكام رسم المصاحف العثمانية الني *

The tract is arranged according to Sûrahs of the Qurân.

No other copy of the tract is known.

Written in fair Naskh.

Dated A.H. 1221 = A.D. 1873.

foll. 24a-31a.

IV.

[كتاب في التجويد] [KITÂB FI'T-TAJWÎD.]

A short fragment of a Turkish work on the correct pronunciation of the Qurân. It opens abruptly thus:

فروات يادن حكده مد بدل واقع *

foll. 34b-49a.

V.

فيوض الاتقان في وجوه القرآن FUYÛD AL-ITQÂN FÎ WUJÛH AL-QURÂN.

A treatise on the various readings of the ten eminent Qurân-readers, by Ḥamdallâh bin Khairaddîn al-Qârî حمد الله بن خيرالدين.

Beginning:-

In the preface, the author enumerates his previous compositions, as follows:—

(i)	عمدة العرفان في وصف حروف القرآن
(ii)	بيان الفاظ الاعيان
(iii)	نظم الجمان في تجويد القرآن
(iv)	رسوخ اللسان في حروف القرآن
(v)	تصريح الرموز فى القراآت العشرة

شرح تصريم الرموز المسمئ بتشريم البروج (vi)

The author's name is not found in the MS.; but as the 'Umdat al-'Irfân fî Waṣf Ḥurûf al-Qurân is mentioned as one of his compositions, it is almost certain that he is no other than Ḥamdallâh bin Khairaddîn, a distinguished Qârî of Constantinople, who held the post of Khaṭîb in the Ayâ Ṣûfiyah Mosque in the time of Sulṭân Sulaimân I (A.H. 926-974=A.D. 1520-1566). See Ḥâj. Khal., vol. iv, p. 261, and Brock., vol. ii, p. 438.

In the beginning the author explains the terms and abbreviations he has made use of in this work, and arranges the rest according to Sûrahs of the Qurân.

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in cursive Naskh.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

foll. 50a-50b.

VI.

شرح المقدمة الجزرية

SHARḤ AL-MUQADDIMAT AL-JAZARÎYAH.

One Fasl from the commentary on Al-Muqaddimat al-Jazarîyah, by Khâlid bin 'Abdallâh al-Azharî (d. A.H. 905=A.D. 1499), dealing with the correct pronunciation of the letters of the Arabic alphabet.

Beginning:—

 For other copies see Berlin, No. 515; Gotha, Nos. 565-6; Leyden, No. 1643; Escur., No. 521, v; and Bodl., vol. ii, No. 232, iv. Written in Arabian Naskh.

Dated A.H. 1144=A.D. 1732.

foll. 52b-60a.

VII.

باب وتف حمزة وهشام على الهمزة

BÂB WAQF ḤAMZAH WA HISHÂM 'ALA'L-ḤAMZAH.

Another copy of the third treatise, beginning as the other. Written in rough Naskh.

Dated A.H. 1173=A.D. 1760.

.عمر بن نصوح : Scribe

foll. 60b-125a.

VIII.

قرة العين

QURRAT AL-'AIN.

A treatise on the Fathah and $Im\hat{a}lah$, by Ibn Qaşih al-'Udrî (d. A.H. 801 = A.D. 1398). See No. 1292 above.

Beginning:—

قال ابو البقاء علي بن عثمان بن محمد بن الحسين العذري اما بعد حمد الله رب العالمين و الصلوة و السلام على سيدنا محمد خاتم النبيين و آلة وصحبة اجمعين فان هذه سميتها قرة العين و جمعت فيها المشهور من الفتح و الامالة و بين اللفظين النج *

Written in fair Naskh, with the headings in red.

Dated A.H. 1174 = A.D. 1761.

Fol. 23^b contains a short extract from the Tahbîr at-Taisîr of Al-Jazarî (No. 1220 above). Foll. 11^a-12^b, 19^b-23^a, 31^b-34^a, 49^b and 51^a-52^a are blank.

No. 1318.

foll. 12; lines 21; size $8\frac{3}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $6 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

غاية الفلاح

GÂYAT AL-FALÂH.

A pamphlet on the subject of pausing at the letter ε (Hamzah), according to the method of Hamzah bin Habîb az-Zayyât (d. A.H. 156=A.D. 773).

The full title of the work, as given on the title-page, is as follows:—

The author does not reveal his name; but from the words: this and other Muslims!), which are used after the name of 'Abdaljawwâd al-Maidânî, who is referred to as one of the commentators on the Hirz al-Amânî of Ash-Shâṭibî (No. 1221 above), it is evident that the author was a contemporary of 'Abdaljawwâd al-Maidânî, who flourished in the latter part of the twelfth century of the Hijrah. The author further states that he learnt Qirâ'at from Aḥmad al-Baqarî, a disciple of Muḥammad al-Baqarî (who died in a.H. 1111=a.d. 1699; see Brock., vol. ii, p. 327).

Beginning:-

الحمد لله الكريم المتعال صاحب الجود و الافضال و الصلاة و السلام على سيدنا محمد و الصحب و الآل وبعد نقد نصب الله ائمة لفهم قرآنه و خصهم منه بعفوه و غفرانه النج *

The author tells us, in the preface, that the present pamphlet is really a reproduction of the <u>Khâtimah</u> (epilogue) of the <u>Kitâb an-Nashr</u> (No. 1243 above), with some additions of his own.

No other copy of the pamphlet is known.

Written in Arabian Naskh; with some marginal notes in the same hand as the text.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1319.

foll. 8; lines 21; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$.

رسالة الند و النشر على الاسئلة العشر

RISÂLAT AN-NADD WA'N-NASHR 'ALA'L-AS'ILAT AL'ASHR.

A pamphlet in which the ten questions, connected with the correct reading of the Qurân, are fully discussed and answered by Muḥammad al-Bulaidî at the instance of his teacher, Shaikh Aḥmad al-Baqarî.

Beginning:-

حمدا لك يا من انار قلوبنا بسواطع الآيات و بعد فقد ورد في هذا الزمان ما تمتحن به الاذهان و المخاطب بها مولانا احمد الافعال ابو السماح البقري لازالت ثمرات التحقيق تجنى من جنات رجنات علومه و كنت اذ ذاك حاضرا مجلسه فناولنيه بعد ان تصفحه مشيرا الي بالكتا بة عليه حين رآه غير محتاج اليه مع ما فيه من مزيد الاشتغال و اخذتها منه بقصد الذظر اليها فاتاح الله بما يسره من الكتابة النع *

The author, whose full name is Muhammad bin Muhammad al-Bulaidî al-Magribî al-Mâlikî محمد بن محمد البليدي المغربي المالكي, was born in A.H. 1096=A.D. 1685, and was a learned doctor of the Mâlikî school. He came from Magrib to Egypt, and settled down at Cairo. Of all the masters whose lectures he attended, the most eminent, according to Silk ad-Durar (vol. iv, p. 111), was Muḥammad bin Qâsim bin Ismâ'îl al-Baqarî (d. A.H. 1111=A.D. 1699). Besides the present work and those mentioned by Brock., vol. ii, p. 331, he wrote glosses on Al-Baidâwî's commentary on the Qurân and Al-Ash mûnî's commentary on the Alfiyah. He also wrote a large work, describing the manner in which various verses of the Qurân were collected and arranged. held the post of professor at the Jâmi' al-Azhar, where he delivered lectures on Al-Baidawi's commentary on the Quran, which were attended by not less than two hundred students, including the great Şûfî 'Abdalwahhâb al-'Afîfî (d. A.H. 1172=A.D. 1758). He died at Cairo in A.H. 1176=A.D. 1762. See Silk ad-Durar, vol. iv, p. 110; Tâj aț-Țabaqât, vol. xii, part ii, fol. 132b; and Brock., vol. ii, p. 331.

The questions are introduced with the word قال and the answers with the word قالت and the answers

No other copy of the work is known.

Written during the author's life-time in elegant Arabian Naskh. Dated A.H. 1134=A.D. 1722.

.محمد جار الله الخناني المالكي الشاذلي الاشعري : Scribe

No. 1320.

foll. 6; lines 23; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

ارجوزة الاطفال الناقعة للنساء والرجال

URJÛZAT AL-AŢFÂL AN-NÂFI'ATU LINNISÂ'WA'R-RIJÂL.

A pamphlet discussing the rules regarding the letters ل , م and م. By As-Sayyid 'Alî, better known as Yasîr السيد علي الشهير بيسير, a writer of the 12th century of the Hijrah.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله رب العالمين و بعد فهذه ارجوزة قريبة مرضية مشتملة على احكام النون الساكنة و التنوين و اللام الفعلية و القمرية و الشمسية و الميم المشددة و النون كذلك و الميم المخففة خالية من مخارج الحروف و الصفات التي ذكروها علماء القراآت نفعنا الله ببركاتهم و ساذكرها لك بابا بابا لتسهل عليك النج *

The above quotation will give a clear idea of the contents of the pamphlet, which is divided into seven $B\hat{a}b$, as follows:—

- الاستعادة عادة الاظهار . 3 ; باب الاستعادة . 3 ; باب الاستعادة . 5 ; باب الحفاء . 6 ; باب الحفاء . 5 ; باب الحوال الميم . 6 ; باب الاخفاء . 5 .
- The pamphlet was completed, as stated by the author at the end, on Thursday, the 8th Rabî 'II, A.H. 1154=A.D. 1741.

No other copy is known.

Written in fair Arabian Naskh, with the headings in red.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

.السيد ابراهيم الزينبي المرنجي : Scribe

No. 1321.

foll. 34; lines 27; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4$.

شرح عمدة المفيد

SHARH 'UMDAT AL-MUFÎD.

A commentary on the 'Umdat al-Mufîd Wa 'Uddat al-Mujîd, a metrical treatise on the correct pronunciation of the Qurân, by 'Alamaddîn Abu'l-Ḥasan 'Alî bin Muḥammad as-Sakhâwî (d. A.H. 643=A.D. 1245), who composed it on the same lines as the Qaṣîdah Râ'îyah of Abû Muzâḥim Mûsâ bin 'Ubaidallâh bin Yaḥyâ al-Khâqânî (d. A.H. 325=A.D. 936; see Berlin, No. 485).

The commentator's name is not known.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله الذي شرفنا بحفظ كتابه و وفقنا لتجويده و اعرابه و صلاته على

صى انزل القرآن بلسانه و اختاره لتبليغه و بيانه النم *

The correct title of the text, as given by Hâj. Khal., vol. iv, p. 266, is عمدة المجيد في معرفة لفظ التجويد; but the author of the commentary, in his short prefatory note, entitles it عمدة المجيد في المجيد.

Comments on the text are preceded by a Muqaddimah, divided into five Fasl, as follows:—

الفصل الأول في تعريف التجويد II. Fol. 2b.
الفصل الثاني في مخارج الحروف III. Fol. 3a. الفصل الثالث في بيان ما يعرف به مخرج الحرف

الفصل الرابع في مفات الحروف IV. Fol. 3b.

الفصل الخامس في انقسام هذه الصفات الى مميز و . . V. Fol. 4b محسن و ذي قوة و ذي ضعف *

The colophon reads thus:-

فهذا ما يسرة الله عز و جل على هذه القصيدة على سبيل الاختصار و هو بحمد الله وان صغر حجما فقد كيف و صلى علما و الله تعالى يجعله وسيلة الى عفوة و غفرانه و سببا الى رحمته و رضوانه انه ارحم الراحمين *

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in cursive Naskh, with quotations from the text in red.

Dated A.H. 1273=A.D. 1855.

عمر بن المرحوم احمد الد مهوجي : Scribe

Foll. 33b-34a contain the following appendices:—

- I. An extract from the *Malhamatu Dâniyâl* (see Berlin, No. 5912), dealing with the natural and supernatural accompaniments of the moon-eclipse.
- II. An extract from the Husn al-Muhâdarah of As-Suyûtî, dealing with comets.
- III. A note explaining a question of divorce, based on the saying of Shaikh al-Islâm 'Alî aş-Ṣa'îdî al-'Adawî al-Mâlikî al-Azharî (d. A.H. 1189=A.D. 1775; see Silk ad-Durar, vol. iii, p. 206).